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GRAYLING SCHOOL
OPENED TUESDAYSEVERAL NEW TEACHERS TO
SERVE THIS YEAR.Message to Boys and Girls by Mr.
Fred L. Keeler.

The schools of this city opened Tuesday with all teachers present with the exception of Miss Hale, teacher of the first grade. There not being a place convenient for this grade the opening had to be deferred. The other teachers had reported Monday and met with Supt. Ellsworth and were assigned their respective duties. Following is the list of teachers with their grades, as engaged to teach this year:

A. A. Ellsworth, superintendent;
Miss Vera Lane of Fowlerville, principal.
Miss Nellie Loss of Vassar, assistant principal.
Miss Lena E. Chalfant of Taylor University, Ind., Latin and German.
Miss Leone Lennan of Hurley, Wis., music and penmanship.
Miss Chrysanthemum Barry of Reed City, 8th grade.
Miss Marguerite Lockwood of Harrison, Mich., seventh grade.
Miss Ula Mae Shier of Wolverine, Mich., sixth grade.
Miss Alma Roe of Sterling, Mich., fifth grade.
Miss Ethel Ryker of Ypsilanti, Mich., fourth grade.
Miss Emma Moehman of Montague, Mich., third grade.
Miss Myrtle Reagan of Crosswell, Mich., second grade.
Miss Lucile Campbell of Newberry, Mich., third and fourth grades, South side.
Miss Clella Clark of Ithaca, Mich., first and second grades, South side.

At this time when the schools of Michigan open their doors to her young people we know of nothing more fitting to offer the parents and school children than to here print the message of Mr. Keeler, superintendent of public instruction. We hope every person who gets this newspaper will read every word of it and accept it in the spirit of its author.

TO THE BOYS AND GIRLS
OF MICHIGAN:

From Maumee Bay to Isle Royale is farther than from London to Berlin. Between lies an empire—fields of grain, sparkling lakes, and richest mines. People truly exclaim: "Michigan is a great state!" But neither because it is large nor rich is Michigan a great state.

What then makes Michigan great? I will tell you.

If the boys and girls of Michigan join hands, they would form a solid line from Keweenaw to Lenawee—six hundred miles in all.

And who are the boys and girls in that line?

I know who they are, I know them all. They are the Joy of Today and

37th Annual G. A. R. Reunion of
Northeastern Michigan, at
Grayling Sept. 14,
15 and 16th.

The 37th Annual Reunion of the Soldiers and Sailors of Northeastern Michigan will be held in Grayling next week, September 14, 15 and 16.

It has been twenty-five years since Grayling has entertained the veteran soldiers of this association and the citizens there are planning one of the biggest times it has ever been their privilege to enjoy.

From the first day when the guests will be met at the incoming trains to the last minute, the program is full, including speech-making, camp fires, theatre parties and an auto ride through the Hanson State Military Reservation, banquets and many other interesting things.

Every feature that is believed to be of interest to the honored guests at this time will be provided, and arrangements made to make them feel at home and comfortable.

Grayling is looking for every veteran who is able to attend and assures them that they will be royally welcomed.

The Promise of a Greater Tomorrow.

I see in that line a young fellow, tall and green as the cornfields that grew him. I like him. Though the most blustering blizzard of the year he walked sixteen miles from his home in the country one Sunday night to be in time for school next morning. Whether at last he shall work in field or forum I do not know, and it does not matter. This I know, and that matters much, he will do what he promises and he will do it on the minute.

I see a girl at her piano with the rising sun. Morning, noon, and night she helps in household duties. Her day's work is done when at last she has rendered with finish the last line of her Virgil. If there is a hard theorem, that she delights to prove. But above all, she proves every day that needle and dishpan lend charm to piano and poetry, and, moreover, are just as respectable.

I see a girl without father or mother, who, by her own pluck, has made her way until now she has done with credit the work of the public schools. Some say she is poor. I say a girl with such spirit is rich. She is going to college. I know for she says so.

I see a girl who works hard and fails often, but for all that is never defeated. She smiles and says, "Let me try once more." They say she is not a brilliant student. Perhaps that is so. But every Sunday afternoon I see her on the way to the home of an old man who for years sat by the window seeing folks go by. Her bouquets of roses mean more to him than expert knowledge of imaginary roots.

I see a smiling, curly-headed boy who thinks wireless and flying machines. He told me once he was going to make a machine that would run forever, but he knows better now for he has studied science some. This, though, I believe, he will make a machine that will lighten the load of labor; and if he lays the keel of a ship, it will be a safe ship.

I see a girl, modest, refined, and accomplished. She is Industry, Loyalty, and Cheer. Why does she work so hard when her father has lots of money? Swift comes her answer: "I am greater than money. I must be true to myself. Then some day I may use money so it will be of service to others and to myself a blessing."

I see boys and girls, ten hundred thousand of them, all different, all aspiring, all good.

It is they that make Michigan great. The Public School is their Opportunity and how eagerly do they grasp it!

One bitter cold morning last winter I was in a small town in northern Michigan. The roads were hemmed in by snow banks so high you could not see over them. On my way to the station I met three girls trudging on through the deep drifted snow. Under their arms they had books and lunches, while their hands shielded their faces from the biting wind. I knew they were schoolgirls come far from the country to the high school in the village. As I stood at the station I saw boys and girls dotting the distant hills in all directions—some walking, some running, others pulling sleds with brothers and sisters in them—all bound for school that day.

Inspiring!

I almost cheered. And what I saw there was happening that moment in every district and village and city in Michigan—indeed, in all America!

Why is it, when all the world is war-raging, Uncle Sam is so calm and patient and unafraid? You know. It is because from Ocean to Ocean, from Lakes to Gulf, he hears tramp, tramp, tramp, of twenty million boys and girls who every morning, rain or shine, set

out for the American Public School to conquer the knowledge of the World. That is the largest, the most invincible host that ever marched in any country in all history. The whole globe sways under its footsteps.

In the front rank of that procession is Michigan, My Michigan!

What shall come of our triumphant band—these boys and girls of Michigan?

Only themselves can answer; and with one voice they answer in deeds of today:

"This country is My Country. I honor the brave men and women who gave it. I am glad that now my country needs me."

"This state is My State. Every day it heaps riches upon me. These I shall some day repay. If I cannot sit high in its councils, I shall see that only worthy men do. My voice shall ever be honestly spoken."

"This school is My School, the best school of all. Here I am free to laugh and to play and to work. To every lesson I give my honest effort and my teacher helps me most when she helps me to help myself."

"This home is My Home, the best home in all the world. My father and my mother give me tenderest care. They rejoice when I am strong; of all friends and playmates they are the best. When danger is near they think only of me; tears and unrest pale my mother's cheek, my father is sad and says nothing. Oh, Father and Mother, I treasure the Name you have given me! I will forever keep it honor bright. I will be noble and kind and true."

We accept the answer.

We take off our hats to you, Boys and Girls of Michigan!

You are, indeed, the Joy of Today; the Hope, the Promise, the Assurance of a Greater Tomorrow.

Requirements of a Good Silo.

A silo's walls should be air-tight when filled.

Round silos are preferable, are economical in construction, and most easily braced.

Silo doors may be either continuous or occasional.

Silo failures of twenty years ago are chiefly attributable to shallow, square or oblong bins that were not capable of proper packing.

The height of a silo should be at least twice the diameter.

Do not paint the inside of a stave silo; use linseed oil, or coal tar thinned with gasoline.

The inner walls of a silo should be as smooth as possible, so as not to hinder the uniform settling of the silage.

Extra capacity may be easily gained by using a dome or hip roof.

Always anchor a stave silo, using from three to four guy wires.

Always keep the hoops of a stave silo well tightened as the silo is emptied so the staves will not warp and to prevent racking by the wind.

When filling the silo the swelling of the staves may make it necessary to slightly loosen the hoops to prevent the great strain from breaking some of them.

When setting up a stave silo set the staves on the center of the foundation wall. When the hoops are tightened the staves will approach the inner edge of the wall.

Do not cement against the staves on the inside; this will prevent tightening.

The top of the foundation wall should slope slightly toward the outside.

Fire insurance is too cheap to be without. Why are you so negligent? GEO. L. ALEXANDER & SONS.

TO CHICAGO BY FREIGHT

Maybe you've heard of stuttering Hennesy who solemnly asked the ticket agent how much it would cost to go to Chicago by freight.

"By freight," inquired the astonished ticket man. "Why do you want to go by freight?" "B-b-cause," stammered Hennesy, "b-b-because I c-can't express myself."

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DRY GOODS STORE

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Whatever you want to be. You can be a success—a big success—if you have ambition, energy and nerve. Men fly because they wanted to fly—because they wanted to fly more than they wanted almost anything else—because they kept at it until they had accomplished their purpose.

You young men and young women cannot fail if you really want to be a success—if you have ambition and energy and strive to succeed. But you must learn about business before you go into it. A business education will double—triple—multiply your earning power many times—enable you to sit on the "Board of Directors."

Acquire the proper knowledge in this modern school with its experienced teachers, splendid equipment and thorough courses. It won't cost much. It will prove the biggest investment of your life.

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VICTIMS OF MOTOR AND SHOTGUN

INTERURBAN WRECKS AN AUTO KILLING THREE, INJURES TWO OF FUNERAL PARTY.

CHARIVARI PARTY IS SHOT

Two Shots By Newly-Wed at Friends Making Big Noise Wounds Six, Two Seriously.

Wyandotte—Three women's lives were cut off in a second Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock and two men received injuries that are expected to prove fatal, when the automobile in which they were riding was hit by a speeding interurban car at the Vine street crossing of the Detroit & Toledo Short line in Wyandotte.

All the victims come from one family. The mother and two daughters met instant death; a son and son-in-law are dying from their hurts in a Wyandotte hospital.

Unable to see clearly because of the fine rain that covered the windshield of the automobile with a gray mask, the driver, who was taking the family to the funeral of Mrs. Pauline Miller, sent the light touring car onto the track in the path of a limited interurban bound from Cleveland to Detroit. The car, racing at 30 miles an hour, hit the frail machine squarely and lifted it into the air, hurling it 60 feet along the tracks and scattering its five passengers like bits of paper in a breeze.

There was no wreckage under which the victims could be pinned. Splinters, bits of steel and twisted iron alone remained of the automobile; five battered shapes, the bodies of the occupants, lay about the track and roadbed when passengers from the interurban hurried back to the scene.

Hillsdale—Two men are fighting for their lives and four others are badly injured, while the Hillsdale county authorities are wondering what to do as the result of a shooting affray Saturday night at Osceola which came as a climax to a serenade planned for Fremont Burger and his bride, who was Miss Esther Wright.

Of the party of 15 young men who went to the home of the newly-weds to serenade them, the following six were injured when Burger sent a double charge from his shotgun into their midst:

William Linder, manager of the Osceola feed mill, and Alfred Walters, seriously injured with shot about the face, head and shoulders. Alfred and Charles Gorman, Howard Stuart and Charles Meyers, painfully but not seriously hurt. "Just what action will be taken by the police, if any, was not determined Monday night. The recovery of the wounded men will probably weigh in this."

STATE RAILROADS SHOW GAIN

Freight Earnings Increase Their Revenue Over \$1,000,000.

Lansing—Michigan railroads show a big gain in their reports for the second quarter of 1915, ending June 30, as compared with the corresponding quarter of 1914.

Of the 60 steam roads in the state, 50 have filed sworn reports of their business with the railroad commission. Those 50 in the aggregate show an increase in the operating revenue over the corresponding period of 1914, of \$1,696,843.

The 10 railroads which have not yet reported are small ones and will not make much difference in the grand totals. The average will be about the same.

These are the first figures sent to the state by the railroads since the now memorable fight before the legislature on the two-cent fare. They are regarded significant since opponents of the passenger rate increase insisted before the legislature that the boost in freight rates given the railroads December 1, 1914, would more than make up for the alleged losses in passenger fares.

MICHIGAN NEWS ITEMS

While Harold Ormes and Fred Whitburn were returning from Lake Cogebe, a fire on their auto exploded and the car upset. Both men were thrown out and probably fatally injured.

The monster "road bee" to convert the Gratiot turnpike between Port Huron and Mt. Clemens into an improved highway will take place September 15 and 16. Macomb and St. Clair counties will unite in the effort.

The 30th annual reunion of the Eleventh Michigan cavalry will be held at Kalamazoo October 6 and 7. This reunion marks the 50th anniversary of their return home. The annual camp fire will be held October 6.

The report for August of the state game and fish warden shows that 211 complaints were made in the month and 144 cases begun. Of these 123 resulted in conviction, five in acquittal and two in dismissal, while nine are still pending. Fines and costs collected from offenders amount to 1,791.

People at Osceola have been having considerable difficulty with a sinkhole on one of the main roads. The state highway commissioner has just examined it and suggests abandoning it and making a new road where the ground is solid.

A special committee of the Bay county board of supervisors appointed last spring to consider the proposition to provide work for prisoners in the county jail, has recommended that dependent on them for support, be paid \$1 a day. Others will be paid 20 cents a day.

MICHIGAN NEWS BRIEFS

The Michigan State Fair opened Monday with a very light attendance. November 9 Albion will vote on the acceptance of a newly revised charter.

Martin Satkowiak, the young farmer arrested for robbing a mail pouch at Linwood village, has been held to the grand jury.

Despite the rain the Labor Day parade in Detroit was made, fifteen thousand marching. The sports for the day were postponed.

There is in the state treasury \$19,000 sent by the federal government for use by Michigan Agricultural college in agricultural extension work.

Federal experts, who are conducting a survey of the bean crop in this state, says Michigan's yield this year will more than double that of any other state.

Work on Albion's new \$70,000 post-office and federal building will be started about October 1, according to a member of the Chicago firm, which has the contract.

Overwork and constant study of the war situation is believed to have unbalanced the mind of Alfred Kuehn, who became violent while at work in an organ factory in Ann Arbor.

Leo Everts, better known as "Red" Everts, a wrestler of some local reputation, and Claude Griffin are in jail in Adrian on a charge of having aided two industrial home girls to escape.

John T. Ball, one of the best known men in Hillsdale county, who was for 30 years superintendent of the county home, died after a brief illness Wednesday. He was 79 years old.

Alumni of the University of Michigan, residing in Chicago, have pledged \$100,000 toward the proposed \$1,000,000 fund to be used to erect and endow a home for the Michigan Union at Ann Arbor.

Foreign-born residents of Detroit hold nearly four-fifths of the postal savings deposits in that city, according to figures compiled at Washington. On July 1 there was on deposit at the Detroit office, \$1,158,023, of which the foreign-born held \$924,900 and the American-born \$233,123.

Detroit, the automobile capital of the world, has taken the lead in a movement to help the United States towards greater preparedness if war should threaten. The Wolverine Automobile club has pledged 1,500 machines and drivers to be subject to the call of Secretary of War Garrison.

Copper and iron ore again show an increase over August of last year in the monthly statistical report issued by United States engineers of the traffic carried through the St. Mary's canals. Copper increases is 5,773 tons; iron ore, 1,971,622. A better showing is also made in general merchandise west-bound, 53,909 more tons being loaded through this year.

Three weeks ago Eber Otis of Mason, while attending a ball game rooted so hard he fell on his next door neighbor's knee. He had some pain as a result but thought little of it. Last week he lifted a case of eggs and suddenly found that his arms, once raised, would not come back into place. Doctors, called, said he had three ribs broken. He did not know it and says he struck a peculiar position of the arms to finally discover it.

The growth of Michigan along investment lines is shown by records of the corporation department of the secretary of state's department of August. During the month 157 corporations were organized in the state, paying franchise fees to the state amounting to \$10,711.18, as compared to 134 corporations for August, 1914, with franchise fees of but \$4,582.61, an increase for August, '95, over 1914 of 23 corporations and \$6,128.77 in franchise fees.

Michigan schools Tuesday, except in few sections of the state, notably at Detroit. "This year more boys and girls will be enrolled in the Michigan public schools than ever before. Nearly 200 rural schools have been approved and placed on the standard school list. This summer the state apportioned nearly \$6,500,000 to the various school districts, a larger amount having been distributed only once in the history of the state. More than \$35 per capita was expended last year to maintain the schools."

John Broad, 33 years old, pioneer resident of Detroit and known among his friends and civil war comrades as the man "who was killed at Fair Oaks, Va. May 31, 1862," died Saturday at the home where he had lived for the last 50 years. His death was due to the infirmities of old age and injuries incurred during his service with the northern troops in the civil war. He was struck by a piece of shell during a battle and remained unconscious for more than 24 hours, during which time he was officially pronounced dead.

Governor Ferris has appointed Charles D. Verhoeven, of Monroe, a member of the state board of examiners of barbers.

The dismembered body of Alfred Seaton was found on the Grand Trunk track near Dearborn by section hands Wednesday morning. Seaton, who was in Flint Tuesday, had evidently boarded the fast train Tuesday night, and when he found it did not stop at Davison, tried to jump off and his body was drawn under the wheels. He was 38 years old and single, and lived in Davison.

Owosso will carry its own liability insurance in the future. The commission paid out \$1,000 last year for insurance. The losses were but \$50. It cost the city \$500 to insure against accident to its city firemen.

The monthly report of State Fire Marshal Winslow for August shows that nine persons lost their lives and 19 were badly burned or injured in the state during the month from fire, bonfires, explosions and the careless use of gasoline and kerosene. Of the deaths there were three children under 18.

A MILLION FOR PEACE EDUCATION

HENRY FORD WILL GIVE IT, HE SAYS, AND START TO EDUCATE THE WORLD.

WOULD REWRITE HISTORY

Scheme is to Educate Workmen to Oppose War—He Calls "Military Cliques" Sloths and Lunatics.

Detroit—Henry Ford announced Saturday the opening moves in the campaign against militaristic activities looking toward an increase in the army and navy of the United States, and for universal peace. He says: "Encouraged by hundreds of letters and many favorable comments by newspapers and men of the country, it seems fitting that there should be given now the beginnings at least of the work for a better feeling among men, peace and the discouragement of vast military preparation that can only invite conflict."

"Long ago the men in the Ford organization were receiving an education that convinced them of the fact that a vast army and navy for the United States was unnecessary and was wanted only by men, who, posing as patriots, sought their own glorification and profit. The present object lesson of the terrible uselessness of war and of the killing of men who had much to live for and nothing to die for, has done the rest. These men are now men of peace."

"When the Michigan national guard went into summer encampment recently only about 40 men from the 20,000 in this organization went with them. It was then suggested that I dismiss these men as an example in furtherance of peace ideas. At that time I said, and I repeat it now: 'No intimidation can convince a man. These men are free, and if we are to change a free man's ideas it must be by education. The other thousands of men in the plan can do their part in this education and I will let them do it.'"

"If the shout for armament piled upon the nation is to be silenced there must be men of peace to meet the shouters for war. Therefore, a fund of \$1,000,000 will be set aside to start an educational campaign, looking toward the teaching of the benefits of peace and the waste of war. This will be carried on in the United States and all countries now at peace. When the Europeans have returned to sanity the work will be carried to those nations."

"This campaign will go into the homes of the cities, the hamlets, the farms, the factories and the shops throughout the country, and the military posts before all others will be given a chance to hear reasonable, calm and impersonal discussion of the problem of peace as compared with the theory of war and the stocking up for war."

"A start must be made toward changing the rudimentary histories that children and men read. They must be made to see that war is slaughter and waste and that even a soldier spoke from the depth of his being when he branded it 'hell.'"

"To aid this work a liberal prize will be given to the student of history who shall write the truth of things past, in sentences that shall not make the demigods of soldiers and shall show war in all its horror instead of glorifying the slaughter."

"The working man is beginning to realize that it is not the rulers of the nations who make war, be they presidents, kings or emperors. It is the military cliques that surround and sway them—it has always been these same parasites, these sloths and lunatics. For I firmly believe that every man who deliberately devotes his life to the trade of a soldier is either lazy or crazy, or, unhappily, most of them are merely lazy, so we are not permitted to put them in asylums."

Girl Lurer Arrested.

Portland—Deputy Sheriff Ryan has been notified that Clyde Hazleton, the hypnotist charged by George J. Van Horn of this place, with exercising a strange influence over his daughter Gladys, aged 16, and causing her to leave her home here with him August 5, is under arrest in Cedar Rapids, Ia. Hazleton was found with a circus at Urbana, Ia. Ryan holds a warrant for Hazleton on a charge of kidnapping. Mr. Van Horn has received a letter from his daughter, mailed in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, which indicates that the fleeing couple is traveling with a show troupe. Gladys, in the note, says she was in hiding, during the day time, from detectives engaged by her parents.

NEWS BRIEFS.

State Highway Commissioner Rogers favors gravel for the proposed Detroit-Grand Haven highway, instead of concrete, as proposed by the promoters.

While sailing a toy boat in a tub of water, Elmer Van Schaick, 2-year-old son of Custer Van Schaick, a farmer living east of Flint, slipped head foremost into the tub and was drowned. The mother found the body a few minutes later.

The July report of Fire Marshal Winslow shows that 11 persons lost their lives in fires during the month and 55 were seriously injured. This is the largest number of killed and injured reported since the organization of the department.

Attorney-General Fellows says that the possession of a hunter's license does not authorize any one to hunt on any property regardless of the wishes of the owner of the property. He also holds that guests, who are invited to hunt on private property, must obtain licenses.

AUSTRIAN AMBASSADOR IS TO BE WARNED



DR. DUMBA.

The capture of important papers in possession of Correspondent Archibald indicating that Dr. Dumba, was working to foment strikes in American factories making munitions of war may not cause his recall unless there is some popular demand to hand Dr. Dumba his papers. It is believed that President Wilson will content himself merely with instructing Secretary Lansing to advise the ambassador that this government will excuse no further activities of that sort on his part.

ASSASSINS KILL JUDGE

Was On Way to Providence When Shot Down; Slayer Escapes.

Providence, R. I.—Justice Willis S. Knowles, of the eighth judicial district, was assassinated just after he had left his bungalow in North Scituate to take a trolley car from Providence Monday.

He received three bullet wounds, two in the back and one in the jaw. The attack occurred about 100 yards from the house and apparently the shots came from bushes that lined the village road leading to the car line.

After having been wounded at least once, the justice turned back and nearly regained the gate opening into his place, when he fell dead.

The murder was witnessed by no one except the assassins, who escaped.

The body was found by Knowles' housekeeper, Mrs. Wardell, who had run from the house when she heard the shots fired. As she reached the lawn, she says she heard a man's voice, with a foreign accent, cry: "Now, judge, I've got you." She saw no one, but thought the voice came from the shrubbery.

Justice Knowles was 48 years old and unmarried. His legal residence was at Cranston, but he had occupied the bungalow at North Scituate this summer. His office was in Providence.

D. & B. Boat Damaged.

Detroit—When the City of Cleveland III. arrived in Detroit from Buffalo at 9:30 Monday morning with 1,500 holiday excursionists aboard many expressions of satisfaction at being upon dry land again were heard as they stepped onto the dock, for the big steamer passed through one of the severest gales of the season on Lake Erie. Huge waves tossed the ship about like a cork, one striking the quarter deck with such force that a hole 15 feet long and three feet wide was torn in the four-inch planking. The timbers were lifted up and broken off as clean as though done by a carpenter. The accident left a hole in the deck almost across the whole entrance to the main stairway. A gangplank covered the aperture until the vessel reached Detroit.

The U. S. Navy.

Honolulu—The three submarines of the "R" group remaining since the loss of the ill-fated F-4 were put out of commission Sunday when the United States steamer Supply crashed into the flotilla, while docking here. The vessels damaged were the F-1, F-2 and F-3.

ITEMS OF STATE INTEREST

The soldiers and sailors of Mason county are planning to hold a one-day encampment at Hamlin Lake, September 14.

Deputy State Dairy and Food Commissioner W. J. Mickel has threatened with arrest every milk dealer operating around Grand Rapids who has not taken out a state license.

At the annual meeting of the grand lodge of the Independent Order of Grand Templars, held at Muskegon, Grand Rapids was chosen as the scene of the 1916 convention, and a Grand Rapids man, M. E. Whitney, was elected grand chief templar. Grand Rapids was chosen for the national grand lodge meeting of the association next year.

An M. U. T. limited car bound from Jackson to Lansing jumped the track at Hunter's crossing, a few miles out of Lansing, Saturday evening. Although one end of the car went in the ditch there was no one injured except the conductor.

W. D. Young & Co., of Bay City, Thursday consummated a deal by which they become the owners of 22,000,000 feet of standing hardwood timber in Antrim county, known as parcels G and K of the David Ward estate. The logs will be brought by rail to the Young mill in Bay City.

LETTER FROM STATE CAPITOL

AUDITOR FULLER ANALYZES THE DISBURSEMENTS OF SCHOOL MONEY

THE COUNTY FAIR MONEY

Military Training in Schools Opposed By State Superintendent—Various Matters of Note.

[Gurd M. Hayes.]

Lansing—This year's state tax exceeds the apportionment of primary school money by \$3,067,728.52 according to figures compiled by Auditor General C. B. Fuller. The state tax for this year amounts to \$9,507,090.51, while the various counties of the state received in primary school money last month a total of \$6,439,361.99.

In 35 counties Auditor General Fuller disbursed more in primary money than he will receive from these counties in state taxes. Bay county is the largest county where the primary apportionment exceeds the state tax. Bay county's state tax is \$136,155.12, while the primary apportionment amounted to \$162,087.02. In Bay county the primary money exceeds the state tax by \$25,931.90.

Other counties where the primary money exceeds the state tax are Alcona \$5,737.61, Alpena \$11,049.84, Antrim \$2,464.46, Arenac \$7,797.34, Benzie \$8,209.73, Charlevoix \$11,401.14, Cheboygan \$15,829.24, Chippewa \$4,628.28, Clare \$8,914.45, Delta \$23,742.28, Dickinson \$3,559.88, Emmet \$5,158.26, Gladwin \$4,675.02, Grand Traverse \$3,583.96, Iosco \$8,217.89, Kalamazoo \$1,899.77, Lake \$2,556.43, Leelanau \$4,717.07, Mackinac \$502.59, Manistee \$16,398.71, Mason \$8,274.28, Mecosta \$10,553.61, Menominee \$21,724.78, Midland \$8,487.19, Missaukee \$9,722.79, Montcalm \$49.36, Newaygo \$11,842.90, Oceana \$1,749.37, Ogemaw \$10,973.24, Osceola \$12,694.89, Oscoda \$376.48, Presque Isle \$9,126.19, Wexford \$4,018.83.

In Genesee county the state tax is \$191,839.50 and the primary apportionment \$119,547.65. Ingham's state tax is \$188,783.65 and the primary apportionment is \$102,018.20. Jackson contributes \$189,123.19 in state taxes and received \$108,993.05 in primary money. Kent's state tax totaled \$65,989.25 and the primary apportionment was \$346,447.10. Lenawee pays \$134,896.36 in taxes and derives \$92,881.20 from the primary fund. Muskegon's state tax is \$102,880.30 and the primary apportionment was \$98,106.30. Saginaw pays \$243,109.89 and receives \$214,061.65. St. Clair contributes \$154,490.22 in state taxes and received \$125,152.55 from the primary fund.

In 66 of the 83 counties of the state, money will be apportioned to the fair associations. However, in 27 counties where there is no appropriation, certain amounts are charged to make up the \$50,000.

Bay county is charged with \$718.07 for this appropriation, but Bay county has not made application for any assistance and receives nothing in return. Genesee county is charged with \$1,008.93 and receives to part of the appropriation. Ingham county's share is \$992.36, yet Ingham receives to direct benefit. Jackson county is charged with \$994.64 and will draw \$1,006 from the appropriation.

Kent county, according to Auditor General Fuller benefits more than any other county in the state. The West Michigan Fair Association will receive \$9,000, yet the amount charged against Kent county's state tax is only \$3,450. Lenawee county is charged with \$1,025 and will receive \$1,000. Muskegon county is charged \$541 and gets nothing in return. Saginaw county is charged with \$1,278.57 and will draw \$1,151. St. Clair county is charged \$812.50 and no part of the appropriation is returned to St. Clair county.

The money will be apportioned among the other counties as follows: Alcona \$187, Alger \$100, Allegan \$450, Alpena \$200, Antrim \$190, Arenac \$150, Barry \$577, Calhoun \$877, Cass \$427, Charlevoix \$311, Cheboygan \$172, Chippewa \$484, Clare \$159, Delta \$448, Dickinson \$183, Eaton \$499, Emmet \$267, Grand Traverse \$600, Gratiot \$225, Hillsdale \$661, Houghton \$812, Huron \$462, Iosco \$100, Iron \$377, Isabella \$190, Lapeer \$1,051, Livingston \$852, Luce \$169, Mackinac \$100, Macomb \$324, Manistee \$134, Marquette \$625, Mason \$100, Mecosta \$200, Menominee \$22, Montcalm \$392, Newaygo \$200, Oakland \$197, Oceana \$364, Ogemaw \$263, Ontonagon \$222, Osceola \$152, Otsego \$181, Ottawa \$749, Presque Isle \$100, Sanilac \$523, Schoolcraft \$300, St. Joseph \$366, Tuscola \$1,105, Van Buren \$588, Wexford \$752.

Auditor General C. B. Fuller says that the Odell bill providing state aid for agricultural fairs that was enacted during the last session of the legislature, has the appearance of having been drawn by a blacksmith and he declares that it is one of the most foolish measures placed on the statute books in recent years.

"The people should not have any idea that the state is giving away anything when a bill is passed to raise money for any institution," said the auditor general. "Some one has to pay the freight and it is the taxpayer who has to raise the money. In the present case the legislature appropriated

Attorney General Fellows says that the possession of a hunter's license does not authorize a person to hunt on any property regardless of the wishes of the owner of the property. He also holds that guests who are invited to hunt on private property must obtain licenses.

There was a balance of \$1,519,532.08 in the general fund of the state treasury at the beginning of business September 1. During the month of August \$798,241.93 was disbursed from the general fund.

\$50,000 to provide for the payment of premiums given by the various state and county fairs. This appropriation must be paid from the money raised for state taxes and is charged back to the counties. Counties having no fairs are compelled to raise money for other counties having annual exhibitions. It would have been better for the counties to have taxed themselves for the premium money and would have saved the state of Michigan a lot of time and useless bookkeeping."

Until the new constitution rendered it impossible for the legislature to appropriate money for special purposes, it was customary for the legislature to make an annual appropriation for the state fair at Detroit. Under the terms of the law passed this year the Detroit fair will receive \$16,000 and the West Michigan fair at Grand Rapids \$9,000. According to the auditor general neither association received as much when a specific appropriation was made by the legislature.

Auditor General Fuller also complains because the law permitted the agricultural fair commission having charge of the expenditure and apportionment of this appropriation, to draw the money from the state treasury and hold it in a private bank until the premium awards are made in October.

"The state of Michigan thereby loses the interest on \$50,000 for a period of three months," said Auditor General Fuller. "I tried to prevent the commission from taking the money from the state treasury before October, but there was no way to prevent it from being done."

Superintendent of Public Instruction Fred L. Keeler declares that he is heartily opposed to any plan whereby military training would be established in the public schools of Michigan. During the past month Superintendent Keeler has received numerous letters from school superintendents and boards of education asking his opinion as to the advisability of making military training a part of the school work. "It is all right for colleges and universities, but it has no place in the public school system of Michigan," said Superintendent Keeler. "We know what too much military training will do for a country. Let us teach the boys the policy of the square deal instead of taking time from their studies to instruct them in the manual or arms." There is now law governing the subject and the boards of education are at liberty to install military courses if they so desire. However, Keeler is most emphatic in the statement that such courses will not be approved by his department.

Attorney General Fellows ruled today that when a person is found intoxicated in a public place in a local option county he may be subpoenaed and may be required to answer questions before a magistrate as to when, where and from whom he obtained the liquor. Fellows says refusal to supply this information may be construed as contempt of court. This ruling by the attorney general's department is regarded as important as it will enable police officers in local option counties to gather information that heretofore has not been obtainable.

In another opinion the attorney general holds that where property is omitted from the assessment rolls by local assessing officers that it may be added by the state tax commission. The attorney general has ruled that the amendments made to the mothers' pension law by the last legislature have not invalidated that measure, and he also holds that a county clerk is not entitled to compensation for services performed as clerk of the board of county road commissioners.

Nine persons died and nineteen were badly burned or injured by fires in Michigan during August, according to the monthly report of State Fire Marshal Winslow. Eleven persons were injured through the careless use of gasoline, and three children were seriously burned while playing with bonfires.

The first delivery of the public acts of 1915 have been received by the secretary of state from the state binder and an advance shipment supplying the county clerks, judges of probate, prosecuting attorneys, registers of deeds and sheriffs was completed Thursday.

The volume is the largest set of public acts ever compiled by the secretary of state and was compiled by H. L. Havens, who has been chief of the compiling division for several years. The public acts this year contain 1,312 printed pages, exceeding the first volume of the compiled laws of 1897 by 36 pages. The judicature act of 1915 and its separate index are included in the volume, and this single act, with its index, exceeds in size the public acts of 1911 by 16 pages.

Indexing the big act considerably retarded the work of compiling the public acts, but its convenience will doubtless be appreciated by the judiciary and the bar, who must become familiar with the codification prior to its going into effect, January 1, 1916.

An order has been issued by the state railroad commission suspending the proposed increase in express rates for a period of 45 days until the commission has an opportunity to make a thorough investigation. Objection to the proposed increase was made at a recent hearing by a representative of the Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce.

Although representatives of the Michigan Anti-Saloon League have been at work for several weeks gathering signatures to the petitions to initiate the constitutional amendment for state wide prohibition to be voted upon at the general election next year, Superintendent Grant Hudson says that the campaign will be formally opened at a big rally of the temperance forces of the state to be held at Lansing November 3.

WAS HESPERIAN SUNK BY TORPEDO?

CAPTAIN CLAIMS SHE WAS AND THAT NO WARNING WAS GIVEN ILL-FATED SHIP.

TWENTY-SIX LIVES ARE LOST

Now No Means of Knowing As Steamer Sank in Deep Water—No Americans Perished.

London—The Allan liner Hesperian, torpedoed by a German submarine off the Irish coast Saturday evening, sank Monday morning while being towed to Queenstown. The ship remained afloat 34 hours. Captain Main and 20 members of the crew, who stayed aboard, are said to have been taken off before the ship took her final plunge near the shores of the Lulista and Arabic. Reports conflict over the loss of life. The line's agents at Queenstown report 338 of 350 passengers accounted for, but does not care to estimate if any are missing. London declares two women died of shock, while the U. S. consul at Queenstown says eight went down with the ship.

There were practically 650 people on the liner when she was attacked—350 passengers and a crew of 300. The passengers, who were hurried without panic into boats after the liner was struck as dusk came on, declare no warning was given. Washington expects Berlin will explain the sinking, in view of the German government's promise not to sink any more "liners" without warning. The U. S. consul at Queenstown declares the Hesperian carried a gun mounted aft, plainly visible. There were no American passengers on the Hesperian, but two members of the crew are understood to be American citizens. One is said to belong to Grand Rapids, Mich.

A statement by the captain made Monday afternoon claims that his ship was torpedoed without warning and a report that the number of dead would reach 26, half of whom were passengers. Beyond the belief that the German government must make some statement with regard to the sinking of the Hesperian, no conclusions have been reached in Washington as to the effect the incident will have on the relations between the United States and Germany and the submarine issue generally.

GREATER EMERGENCY FUND

Appropriation of \$400,000 Must Be Doubled Says Flood.

Washington—Representative Flood of Virginia, chairman of the house foreign affairs committee, declared that larger appropriations would have to be

PRESENT and FUTURE AGRICULTURE OF MICHIGAN

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A PROSPEROUS FARMING SECTION IN THE UPPER PENINSULA.



HARVESTING SCENE.

From "Michigan—the Land of Plenty."

THE following data has been prepared with the view of furnishing information in concise form relating to the agriculture of Michigan, which is but one of five great industries in the state. The data presented, except where otherwise indicated, has been procured from the report of the thirteenth census of the United States for the years 1909 and 1910. Comparatively few people have access to the census reports, which contain a mass of detailed data, that their common use for reference by individual citizens is not possible. The facts hereafter presented are for the purpose of stimulating a more general and complete appreciation of Michigan, particularly her agricultural industry and the wonderful opportunities open for its development.

Agriculture.
The agriculture of Michigan is notable because of its enormous annual production and the unsurpassed variety of its products. This industry might well be divided into two groups, viz., agriculture and horticulture, because of the prominence of the latter. The following ratings in agricultural production for the year 1909 have been computed from the thirteenth census report, viz:

For the total number of animals on farms Michigan occupied the following rating, viz: Horses fourteenth, cattle fifteenth, dairy cows tenth, swine nineteenth, sheep eighth, poultry eleventh, and for colonies of bees thirteenth. In making this comparison it should not be forgotten that the state is pitted against many, the chief business of which is live stock production, and that as later figures will show, in most instances, the rating is raised when expressed in terms of production and values rather than in numbers of animals.

The following list includes Michigan's cereals and other field crops, including the rating of the state among all others from the standpoint of crop valuations for 1909, viz: Corn fifteenth, wheat twelfth, oats ninth, barley eleventh, rye first, buckwheat third, dry edible beans first, dry peas second, grass seeds sixth, flower and vegetable seed sixth, hay and forage eighth, potatoes fourth (second in yield), vegetables seventh, sugar beets third, chile first, and mint first. This long list includes a wide range of products of high utilitarian value, presenting in general a high rating.

Agricultural Lands.
In addition to the very favorable place Michigan occupies regarding her industries and agricultural products, there are still great opportunities for development, for as yet only 51.5 per cent of the total land area of Michigan is included in farms, with enormous areas of good land remaining to be reclaimed.

Michigan ranks twenty-first in land area among the 48 states of this country and eighth in population, with 2,810,173 inhabitants. This means that the state is only slightly above the average size for the entire number, and is only about one-thirty-sixth larger than Iowa, Illinois, Wisconsin or Florida; fifty-three times larger than Rhode Island, and less than one-fourth the size of Texas.

The gross area of the state of Michigan is 36,787,000 acres, and of this amount 18,940,614 acres only are included in farms, while 12,832,078 acres are classified as improved lands. Ex-

pressing these facts in the form of percentages, they appear as follows, viz: Extent of land area in farms, 51.5 per cent; per cent of farm land improved, 67.8, and per cent of entire land area of the state improved for agricultural production, 34.9. For purposes of comparison, Iowa, one of the richest and most exclusively agricultural states in the country, includes a total of 35,576,040 acres, of which 95 per cent is in farms, with 36 per cent of the farm land in the improved class. In the case of Iowa, therefore, her lands are almost entirely being used for agricultural purposes; she has little, but 5 per cent, of unoccupied land to reclaim, and her efforts must be directed toward the improvement of present acquisitions, which is not true of Michigan, with 48.5 per cent of her land area not yet included in farms.

Michigan Unique Agriculturally.
The position of Michigan in relation to her sister states is really unique. Though not a new state, in the sense of those to the westward, there still remain great possibilities for agricultural development in the state, in addition to the improvement of those portions long ago reclaimed. It would be easily possible for citizens of other states, and perhaps some of our own, to assume that because settlement began at an early date in the state, that all the good land had already been occupied, and that the portion not under cultivation is of little or no use for agricultural purposes. On the contrary, there are no better opportunities offered anywhere today for investments in farm lands than in the state of Michigan, where prices at present are much lower than in adjacent states where similar soils and conditions exist. The 48.5 per cent of Michigan land not in farms is not all sandy or rocky or swampy by any means; there are enormous areas of good land not yet under cultivation.

Conditions Unfavorable for Early Development.

Among the many questions which arise upon perusal of the foregoing data probably the most general one is, Why have the agricultural possibilities of Michigan not been developed ere this, considering the early date at which the settlement of the country began? As Michigan was originally a timbered area, the development of its agriculture has been slow, which is also true of other states under like conditions. Suitable conditions for crop production did not exist; they had to be produced slowly and laboriously, at the sacrifice of an enormous amount of muscular energy. The rich storehouse of soil fertility was firmly locked by the tenacious grip of the roots of the oak, maple, beech, basswood, elm and pine—in fact, by a great variety of both deciduous and coniferous trees. These obstacles had to be removed before crop and live stock production could begin. On the other hand, however, with the extension of numerous great railroad systems into the prairie states to the westward, vast areas were made available to the plow. The simple overturning of the prairie soil produced suitable conditions for the production of corn, wheat and oats in abundance, which, combined with the great wealth of natural grasses, established conditions for the cheap production of enormous quantities of cereals, meat, milk and wool, which at once became competitive factors and which have for years pinched Michigan farmers with keenest of competition, forcing a curtailment of agricultural development. This competition has almost become a thing of the past, for the best of the western agricultural lands have been put under cultivation, while the excessive surpluses of farm products are no longer to be feared owing to the rapidity with which consumption is overtaking production, especially within the bounds of our own country.

Pa., and about fifteen miles west of Pittsburgh. This well, which is being sunk to the Medina sandstone—a bed that elsewhere contains oil and gas—is now 7,174 feet deep. Some gas and oil were struck in the upper part of the well. Between the depths of 6,830 and 7,100 feet rocks bearing rock salt and salt water were encountered. These are regarded as of Salina age, the same as those carrying rock salt in western New York. The temperature

Michigan Farms and Farm Property.

The following data, procured from the last United States census report, gives the values of Michigan farms and farm property in 1910, viz:

	Per Cent
Land	\$215,259,548 55.5
Buildings	\$85,879,951 26.2
Implement and machinery	49,916,285 4.6
Domestic animals, poultry and bees	137,863,795 12.7
Total	\$1,088,858,379

Of the sum of \$1,088,858,379, including the total agricultural valuations of the state, 55.5 per cent represents land values, 26.2 per cent buildings, 12.7 per cent domestic animals, poultry and bees, and 4.6 per cent implements.

These enormous valuations, when compared with those of an almost purely agricultural state, such as Iowa, are a trifle under one-third less. We must not, however, lose sight of the fact that only 51.5 per cent of Michigan land is now in farms, and that the state has four distinctive industries besides agriculture, the products of our manufactures alone being two and six-tenths times greater than those of Iowa for 1910.

The increase in total value of Michigan farm property during the past decade of the present century amounted to 57.7 per cent, a much greater increase than has occurred any decade since 1870. Even yet, however, Michigan farms are changing hands at figures from 20 to 35 per cent lower than for similar lands in neighboring states to the south and west. The average value per acre of Michigan farm land in 1910 is given as \$32.48, eight cents above the average for the entire country.

Number of Farms.

In 1910 there were 206,960 farms in Michigan, varying in size from 2 acres to 1,000 acres and over. From 1850 to 1890 the number of farms increased at the rate of 3.997 per year, while from this time on to 1900, the increase dropped to 2.463 per year. During the ten years preceding 1910 the annual increase amounted to 370 farms only. The total acreage of farm land improved has risen but slightly since 1900.

Average Acreage per Farm.

The average acreage of Michigan farms decreased from 128 acres in 1850 to 55.8 acres in 1890, increasing by 1910 to 91.5 acres. The various sizes of Michigan farms are distributed approximately as follows, viz: 20 acres and under, 7.1 per cent; 20 to 49 acres nearly 25 per cent; 50 to 99 acres, about 35 per cent, and 100 to 174 acres, 25 per cent. Forty and 160 acre tracts comprise five-sixths of the farms of the state. The average size for all farms in the United States in 1910 was 138.1 acres.

Status of Land Not in Farms.

The 48.5 per cent of Michigan land not in farms exists largely under the following conditions, viz: (1) As land covered with standing timbers; (2) cut-over timber lands; (3) sand areas, and (4) lands as yet unreclaimed by drainage. The lands of group (1) are held in varying acreages by private parties, companies and corporations, controlling lands in some instances by hundreds of thousands of acres. In most instances these large organizations are interested primarily in timber or mineral resources or both, and are interested in agricultural development only in so far as the final disposal of the land is concerned. The removal of the timber in the commercial production of lumber is rapidly placing on the market lands with good agricultural possibilities. These lands can be reclaimed more economically and satisfactorily if the reclamation begins soon after the timber is first removed; succeeding forest growths make the work more and more difficult as the years go by.

Group (2) includes large areas of so-called cut-over lands in the state, com-

ing recently determined with great accuracy, is 145.8 degrees Fahrenheit. At Dorrick City, McKean county, Pa., near Bradford, there is a well 5,820 feet deep, which is probably the second deepest well in the United States.

Another deep well is on Slaughter creek, Kanawha county, W. Va. It is 5,695 feet deep. It penetrates a sandstone at 5,030 to 5,050 feet, from this depth to the bottom, a distance of 545 feet, the well is in limestone.

prising areas of two distinct types, viz., those on which hardwoods grow and those producing pines and other conifers. Swamp lands upon which hardwood timber grew, if promptly rough-burned and seeded to a mixture of grasses and legumes, and then pastured for a few years until the stumps decayed, may be rapidly and cheaply reclaimed for grazing and crop growing.

A larger portion of the lands in the state, comprising group (3) will undoubtedly be utilized than is at present anticipated. For this purpose fruit growing is being resorted to where the conditions are peculiarly suitable. These very light lands, instead of being farmed intensively in small areas, will some day undoubtedly be operated in large tracts and utilized for grazing purposes, when the proper methods of handling, seeding and improvement are solved, which they surely will be. The sand areas, underlain with a clay subsoil near the surface, give promise of usefulness for horticultural and crop production, as well as for grazing purposes. Where the sand exists as such without a clay subsoil, as heretofore referred to, the problem of agricultural production is still an unsolved one. It is a great misfortune for Michigan that some of her pure sand lands have been sold by unscrupulous speculators to city citizens, who have been parted from their savings of years and left without experience or a soil with which to recoup their lost savings. Experienced farmers could not make a living on these types of soils by operating small areas only, and could not be induced to buy them in this way. It is unfortunate that people, particularly those without experience, will persist in buying lands without even seeing them or making inquiry of responsible people.

It may be said of group (4) that the possibilities of increasing agricultural production in Michigan by drainage are practically equal to the possibilities of increased crop production in the average arid state of the West. The reclaimable, tillable swamp and overflow acreage in Michigan, according to recent estimates of the bureau of statistics, amounts to 4,400,000 acres. In respect to the swamp land area, Michigan ranks sixth among the states. In this one reclamation project alone there are great possibilities in the state. Co-operative effort has already greatly increased the productivity and value of low-lying farm lands by means of township and county drainage systems. The recovery of Michigan low-lying lands, as far as the work has progressed, demonstrates their unusual value for production because of the peculiarities of their formation and composition, geographical location and peculiarly favorable climatic conditions, resulting in large part from environmental influences such as contiguity to large bodies of water. Most of these lands, when reclaimed, produce some kinds of farm crops and are adapted particularly to specialized crops of high value, such as garden truck, root crops, pepper mint, onions, celery, etc., thus increasing the resources of the state by adding both to variety and wealth.

The Upper Peninsula.
The land area of the Upper Peninsula includes 10,682,240 acres, a little less than one-third of the entire state. In 1909 the land area in farms amounted to 913,784 acres, of which 340,602 acres were improved. The number of farms at that time was 8,994.

The following interesting data was procured from a report of the Upper Peninsula Development bureau, dated October 15, 1913, procured largely from supervisors and in some instances township clerks. Their report covers the year beginning May 1, 1912. During this year the number of families locating on farms in fifteen Upper Peninsula counties was 1,770; acres of land sold for farming purposes, 132,360, and timber land sold, 337,248 acres. The following fruit trees were planted, viz: Apples, 38,859; cherries, 16,412, and plums, 8,103. At this time there were 761 schools, of which 45 were organized in 1912; the total school attendance was 52,018. This part of the state included 382 churches. During the year \$589,816 was spent on roads, including 1,599 1/2 miles of gravel and macadam. State roads included 654 miles and county roads 597 1/2 miles.

The opportunities for agricultural development in the counties of the Upper Peninsula of Michigan are very great, indeed. In this area, according to the census report, no county except Menominee has more than 20 per cent of its land in farms. This portion of Michigan will some day be developed into a veritable agricultural empire. Contrary to a widespread opinion that this part of the state consists of an alternation of rocky wastes and swamps, there is to be found there some of the finest agricultural land in the state. It is a land of great possibilities for the production of legumes, pasture and root crops, and is, therefore, destined to become a notable dairy district.

Fine Poles.
"Chugaforth seems to be at home in any sort of company."
"That's true. I've seen him park his automobile with a lot of 700 cars and not show a trace of embarrassment."

Handicap.
"Fishing is great sport, but it's a hard way to make a living."
"Yes. If you try to make a living at it, you're down to the truth about what you catch."

White Woodwork.
Use whitening and water and a soft cloth. This does not destroy the paint as a more vigorous cleanser does. But if there are outside white window sills to be cleaned, and they are very much soiled by exposure to the weather, use ammonia and water. Be careful in using it, as it removes some of the paint as well as the dirt.

Snakes in United States.
In the United States there are found 111 distinct species of snakes, of which only 17 are dangerous to man.

THE KITCHEN CABINET

The wisest pilgrim is that one who goes Along the highway, hour by hour content To take the rain or shine the skies have sent; Who counts his riches in each budded rose; Each song the thrush through vernal branches throws; Each marvel of the sunrise; each dusk, blend Of mystery and fragrant sacrament. Each star that in the heaven burns and glows.

REFRESHING PINEAPPLE.

Pineapple juice is especially refreshing, is also medicinal in value and an all round good drink any way it is prepared. Fine apple juice is an aid to digestion, so it is especially adapted to cock-tails and fruit cups to serve as the beginning of the meal.

Pineapple Syrup.—Put three pounds of loaf sugar into a kettle, add two cups of water and the whites of two eggs, well beaten. Boil together until clear. Remove and cool. Pare and grate enough pineapple to make a quart of juice, then strain into the syrup. Boil ten minutes, remove and bottle. Cover the corks with melted paraffin.

Stanford Salad.—Put on individual glass plates a slice of pineapple with the core removed. On this put a center slice of a juicy orange. Spread a layer of mayonnaise on top, crown with a maraschino cherry and sprinkle with chopped almonds. Heart leaves of lettuce may be used as a foundation for this salad.

Pineapple Marmalade.—Peel, grate or chop as many pineapples as are desired. Weigh and allow a pound of sugar for each pound of fruit. Mix well and let stand overnight in a cool place. In the morning cook until soft enough to put through a sieve. Strain, return to the preserving kettle and continue the cooking, stirring constantly until a clear amber jelly is formed. This will be thick when cool. Put into small jars, cover and seal. This is fine for cake fillings, desserts and many other tasty dishes.

Pomona Punch.—Add two lemons, two oranges, sliced thin, two quarts of pineapple juice, one quart of strawberries, or raspberries, a quart of sparkling water and a pound of sugar. Serve in a bowl with plenty of ice.

Tomorrow, and tomorrow and tomorrow Creeps in this petty pace from day to day To the last syllable of recorded time.

WELL-TRIED DISHES.

When a dessert is to be had in a hurry a most attractive one may be prepared as follows, providing you have the ingredients: Cut sponge cake in squares, place it on individual plates, put a spoonful of whipped, sweetened and flavored cream on top of each piece and place a canned apricot round side up on each piece.

Lemon Jelly With Peaches.—There are so many dainty dishes one may make with canned fruit when the fresh is not obtainable. Use fresh peaches at this season for this dish. Make a mold of lemon jelly and when ready to serve unmold in the center of a chop plate, heap round it whipped, sweetened and flavored cream and decorate with peeled halves of peaches. Serve some of the jelly, cream and a peach for each helping.

Peach Conde.—Cook rice in milk until soft and creamy. Serve a spoonful of the rice with a half of a cooked peach, which has been cooked in a sirup until a light brown. Pour over a spoonful of the sirup and serve warm, not hot, with cold poultry or game at supper or luncheon.

Apples With Onions.—Slice green apples, using a pint of apples and cupful of sliced onions, doubling the amount if the family has a cultivated taste for such wholesome dishes. Brown the onions in a little hot salt pork fat, add the apples and a very little water, enough to keep them from burning while cooking. Stir occasionally and season with salt, sugar and a dash of cayenne if liked. Serve with pork chops or roast pork.

Fried Apples.—These are also delicious to serve as an accompaniment to pork in any form. Wash, but do not peel, the apples, core and slice in thin rings, brown in hot butter, sprinkle with sugar while looking to give a good color, add a grating of nutmeg, a dash of salt and serve hot as a garnish around the platter of sausages, pork chops or steak.

Nellie Maxwell

What Puzzled Him.
The musketry instructor had just been giving a lesson on the rifle to one particularly "green" set of recruits. At the end he asked:

"Now, is there any question you want to ask?"

One dull-looking "Johnny Raw" stepped forward, blushing awkwardly. "Yes, my man?" said the instructor, encouragingly.

"Please, sir," stammered the searcher after knowledge, "be it right that the 'arder' I pulls the trigger thing the farther the bullet goes?"

Snakes in United States.
In the United States there are found 111 distinct species of snakes, of which only 17 are dangerous to man.

Ready to Say "Good-Night"



The night clothes of little lads and maids, when made for other seasons than winter, do not differ much from those worn by their elders. For little girls, nainsook and batiste and the light muslins are used for the gowns and narrow lingerie laces for trimming. The trimming is simpler, that is, not so much lace is used, and the methods of applying it are less intricate.

With the return of fancy needlework to fashion in the belongings of grown people, it is sure to appear on children's clothes, where it seems more appropriate than any other sort of trimming. The small and dainty patterns in laces are chosen when laces are used.

The little empire gown shown in the picture has a body of narrow lace and fine embroidery. It is sleeveless, with a ruffle of wider val lace finishing the arm eyes. This is a pattern for summer wear and few sleeveless gowns are made for little girls. For between seasons, little models are made with high neck and long sleeves, finished with fancy needlework and small tucks. These are to be replaced, as the cold weather comes on, by gowns of canton flannel, made long.

The small boy's pajamas hardly need description. They are made of light cotton materials. The pants are fastened at the waist with a tape which is run through a hem in the top. They are as plain as can be and so is the coat. This is usually bound with braid and provided with a pocket at one side. The same pattern is used for the canton flannel pajamas used in cold weather.

For the comfort of little ones who sleep in cold rooms and are liable to kick their feet from under cover, bed shoes of canton flannel or of elder-down are recommended. They are easily made and easily laundered and they are most comforting.

There are numbers of patterns for little nightdresses—the simplest ones are the best. For the little boy, pajamas, like those shown in the picture, cannot be improved upon.

There is no reason to doubt the sincerity of a woman who voluntarily wears a Salvation army bonnet.

A Lovely Negligee of Yellow Crepe



Some of the most beautiful tones of yellow are even more delicious in crepe, it seems, than in any other material. The adorable negligee pictured here, has been made up in light pink, blue and yellow with pale green chiffon leaves, are to be set over it in a row, with one color following another. These roses are important and the negligee would lose character without them.

A width of three or four inches is cut from the top of a length of lace to form the ruffle for the neck and front of the body. The remainder of this length will make the ruffles that are set on to the ends of the sleeves. The narrow, standing ruffle makes a heading and a single chiffon rose in pink, with its little, pale green leaves, is set at the top of each ruffle against the net.

The negligee is worn with a cap to match. It has a small lace peak at the center of the crown. A puff of crepe is gathered to this and edged with lace. It is drawn up about the face on an elastic band. A few very small chiffon roses are set with bows of narrow satin ribbon in the flounce of lace that falls about the face.

JULIA BOTTOMLEY.

Spider Crochet.
A myriad of spider webs glowing in all the colors of the rainbow, just as when the early morning sun strikes the colors from the dew! And it is done from one yarn variegated in hue like the yarns which the children use for the horse lines which they knit on the little red spools. The crochet itself is done in a very loose, weblike stitch, which so arranges itself to the different colors of the yarn as they come in turn that the effect is that of many different colored webs strung together with invisible threads. A lovely light dressing sacque of this spider crochet is mounted over a lining of softest gray silk, and the result is altogether charming. A white or pale pink parasol may be seen with the same spider webbing crocheted in silk covering its entire top.

Raising Money for Schools.
In a single year 800 school leagues in Virginia, with a membership of nearly 74,000 persons, raised \$50,000 for their schools.

GOING FAR INTO THE EARTH

Some of the Deepest Wells That Have Been Sunk in Various Parts of the World.

The deepest well in the world is in Upper Silesia, in the German empire. It is a diamond drill hole in a coal field and is 7,360 feet deep.

A well in the United States which may go deeper, according to the United States Geological Survey, is four miles northwest of McDonald,

For Sale at the Grayling Greenhouses

ASTERS, SWEET PEAS, CUCUMBERS,
SNAP-DRAGONS, TOMATOES,
ROSES, SCABIOSAS.

Also a large assortment of other flowers suitable for mixed bouquets. No carnations for about four weeks.

Greenhouses open from 6 a. m. to 6 p. m.
Sundays and holidays to 9:30 a. m.

Crawford Avalanche

O. P. Schuman, Editor and Proprietor.

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GRAYLING, THURSDAY, SEPT. 9

A Few Suggestions for Boosting Grayling

Don't be the man who put the sit in city.

Building good houses builds a good town.

Save a little money and save a lot of worry.

Good roads lead not only to town but to money.

Be a live one and the town will never be a dead one.

A nice front porch has prevented many an old maid.

Why should the town muzzle dogs and not knockers?

When someone plans to help the town, plan to help the plan.

The best plans a man can have to the future are house plans.

A good way to make the world better is to begin with the home town.

A town is like a perambulator; it isn't much good unless it is pushed.

Don't spend all your time telling what you would do if you had some time.

Be like a ball player. The thing he is always working for is home.

Be one of the leaders of your town; if you can; but, anyway, keep up.

If you think a cow can't laugh, let somebody sell you a good silo.

Don't be a grouch. Everybody in this town wishes you well, even the doctor.

Let's not be trying to stop something all of the time. Let's start something.

A good town will do more to keep the boys at home than good advice.

A town is like a girl. It's wonderful what a little fixing up will do for her.

Opportunity knocks once at every man's door; better be at home when the lady calls.

The world owes every man a living, but the street corner is a poor collection agency.

Don't look for soft snaps; the hard snaps are the ones that have the ginger in them.

Don't spend so much time talking war that you haven't time left to talk business.

If you would like to have somebody working for you, put a little money in the bank.

It improves the soup to throw a little pepper into it. Same way with a town.

If you spend all that you earn, some other fellow is banking your money.

Many young men go away to seek his fortune when Fortune is seeking for him at home.

Plaster your house and everybody will follow your example. Lath and the world laths with you.

If you will consider the men in this town who are well off you will find that most of them made their money here.

The big things were not all done in the big towns. The greatest poem in

the English language was written in a country churchyard.

You've got to be a citizen in order to vote; but you've got to do a good deal more than vote to be a citizen.

There is only one better man than the man who gets behind and pushes, in an effort to improve the town, and that's the man who goes ahead and pulls.

Building lots, best location in the city for sale, cash or on easy terms. Inquire of Nick Schlotz. 7-15-tf.

Mrs. Barney Conklin and son John returned Friday evening from a several weeks' visit at Flushing, Swartz Creek and Detroit.

Mrs. Henry Mapes and daughter, Ethel, returned home last Sunday, from Mio, where she had been visiting her parents for several weeks.

Dan Moshier and wife and father, P. J. Moshier, left this morning for Detroit to attend the State fair, making the trip in their Ford auto.

The Misses Jane Veeder of Hillsdale and Vella Teall of West Branch were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Grover of Riverview over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Hornbeck and baby of Mariette have been spending a week here on account of the illness of the latter's father, Severin Jensen.

Miss Jennie Ingley returned last Friday from an enjoyable several weeks outing at Huron and Gratiot beaches and at Port Huron, and is again at her summer home at Portage lake.

Every man who has spent three days of his life as a devil around a country printshop wants you to believe that the only reason he didn't become a famous newspaper man is because there isn't enough money in it.

"Hello, Main 1043, Hello, Who is there?" "This is Frank Dreese." "Is your line complete on ladies' and children's fall coats?" "Why bless you step in, I will show you the latest creations, it's not that alone but the prices that will get you." Frank Dreese.

When the European war broke out many Americans found themselves stranded in Europe, without means. Congress appropriated a generous sum for the purpose of aiding them to get home, with the understanding that the government was to be reimbursed for the amounts advanced. Most of those aided in this way have cheerfully paid up, but a certain few have refused to reimburse the government for the amounts spent on them. The department of Justice, at the request of the Treasury department, is preparing to bring suit against such persons to recover the sums expended.

After an existence of 43 years the Reed City Clarion suspends publication having been sold to the Oscoda County Herald, T. O. and A. W. Huckle owners. From now on only one paper will be published in Reed City, and it is believed that under these conditions the Herald will give to the city a much better and more effective paper than it was possible to publish with the limited patronage divided between two institutions. Huckle Brothers are men well and favorably known among the publishers of this part of Michigan and we believe their venture will meet with the success it merits. We extend best wishes.

Local News

None but purest of drugs used in our prescriptions. A. M. Lewis, druggist.

Statistics show that 2,000,000 automobiles are in use in the United States and the yearly upkeep amounts to \$730,000,000.

The time may come when foreign born citizens will find that their American citizenship imposes a duty, as well as gives protection.

We have known a great many people whom we would say were scrupulously honest under all ordinary circumstances but very few of them would call a conductor back to give him a fare he had missed.

Severin Jensen underwent a serious operation at Mercy hospital last Thursday afternoon. He is getting along nicely as the results. Dr. Brooks of Detroit assisted Dr. Keyport to perform the operation.

A girl lost her breach of promise suit because when the man proposed she merely nodded her answer. The girl who wouldn't, under such circumstances, climb into a man's lap, put her arms around his neck and prepare her mouth for a kiss, could hardly be considered as having given acquiescence that would have any standing in court.

Miss Winifred Johnson left Saturday for her home in Hastings. For more than a year Miss Johnson has been an efficient and faithful employee in the Avalanche office and it is with considerable reluctance that we have to lose her. During her employment here it has been her endeavor to set a column of type without having a single error, and, much to her credit she has had several proofs with but one error, and that is remarkable. We found Miss Johnson a competent worker and in every sense a lady, both in the office and out, and the Hastings Banner is fortunate in securing her services. Her father is also a printer and is employed in the same office.

During the encampment of the Michigan National Guard, at Portage lake last month, Nemesis Nielson, one of our local artists, made a water color picture, showing a portion of Portage lake and the country bordering that part. The picture is about three feet long and 12 inches high. The artist was located on the shore near the Benson bath house, when making the sketch. In the foreground is shown a man pulling a row boat to the shore. The rows of tents and company streets are shown further down the shore, while in the distance is shown some of the parade grounds, also some of the uncleared land and distant hills. He has numerous requests for the picture, but he says he has not decided whether he wants to part with it or not.

Mrs. Martha Yorton, age 77 years, 4 months and 24 days, passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Hardy, last Monday evening, Sept. 6. Martha Hyde was born in Madison Co., New York, town of Sullivan, April 12, 1838. In July 1856 she was united in marriage to Benjamin Yorton, of Madison Co., moving to Shiawassee county, Mich. in 1862. Seven children were born to them, four of whom are living. Mr. Geo. Hardy of this city, Mrs. Addie Blaisdell and Mrs. Irve Martin, of Houston, Texas, and E. J. Yorton, of Minneapolis, Minn. There are also two step-children, Abner Horton, of Three Rivers, and Mrs. Helen Parker, of Detroit. Besides these a host of other relatives and friends mourn her loss. Brief services were held at the Hardy home Tuesday afternoon, conducted by Rev. Mitchell, and the remains taken to the deceased's old home at Vernon, Mich., Wednesday morning for burial.

The new hotel is now well under construction and it is the desire of Messrs. Rasmus Hanson, Nels Michelson and their business associates, that this hotel, which occupies the site of the first building in Grayling, should be a pioneer affair and with that in view has suggested that as many of our pioneer citizens as so desire, take one or more shares of stock in the company. Already several have signified their intention of purchasing stock. Three times fire has devastated hotel buildings on this corner and it is hoped and expected that the "three times and out" theory will prevail and that this fine new place may stand for generations. M. S. Hartwick was the first white person to settle in Grayling, so far as is known, and he opened the first hotel Grayling ever had at this same corner and in honor of him it is planned to name the edifice "The Hartwick." This seems very appropriate indeed and a fitting honor to Mr. Hartwick, who for years figured conspicuously in affairs of Grayling. Such citizens as Mr. Hartwick should not pass from the memories of our people, and we believe that the plans of the promoters will meet universal favor with our citizens. Stock subscriptions are now open and the shares are made low, \$10 each, thus to enable almost everybody who desires, to obtain some shares. At the completion of the hotel, which will be about Christmas time, all stock will be fully paid in.

Fire insurance is too cheap to be without. Why are you so negligent? Geo. L. Alexander & Son.

To the Public.

"I feel that I owe the manufacturers of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy a word of gratitude," writes Mrs. T. N. Withersall, Gowanda, N. Y. "When I began taking this medicine I was in great pain and feeling terribly sick, due to an attack of summer complaint. After taking a dose of it I had not long to wait for relief as it benefited me almost immediately." Obtainable everywhere.

FREDERIC NEWS

School begins again.

Miss Marie Kelley left Tuesday morning for Gaylord, where she will attend high school.

Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Leighton are in Saginaw this week, the guests of Mrs. Stannard.

Mrs. L. A. Gardner and children returned from Cheboygan, Monday, after two weeks visit with relatives and friends.

Miss Carrie White spent a few days with her aunt, Mrs. J. J. Higgins, en route to Mackinaw, where she will teach this year.

Miss Jessie Reynolds is at East Jordan this week, the guest of her sister, Mrs. Harry Raino.

A. L. Smith is moving his family to Onaway, his former home, since the mill has shut down.

Vera Cameron was in Grayling Saturday.

Misses Mary and Rose Kalahar are visiting their brother, Jas. A. Kalahar and family. Miss Rose will remain here and teach at the Malco school.

Mrs. H. P. Abrahams entertained the Ladies' Aid, last Tuesday.

Mrs. James Tobin was called to Bay City, last Friday, on account of the illness of her sister, Mrs. Nichols.

Mrs. James Patterson is visiting her daughter, Mrs. R. J. Brennan of Detroit this week.

Council Proceedings.

A special meeting of the Common Council of the village of Grayling convened at H. Petersen's grocery store, Monday evening, Aug. 30, 1915.

Meeting called to order by H. Petersen, president. Trustees present: Herrick, McCullough, Cook, Jorgenson and Canfield. Absent: Taylor.

A petition for a sewer on the south side of the village, on State street, was read, and it was moved by McCullough and supported by Cook, that the petitioners request be granted, and a sewer be built on State street. Motion carried.

Moved by Herrick, and supported by Cook, that the president and clerk be authorized to sign a contract to build this sewer. Motion carried.

Moved by McCullough, and supported by Herrick, that we adjourn. Motion carried.

T. P. PETERSON,
Village Clerk.

The Grange Picnic.

The Grange picnic, held at the Oak Grove farm, Aug. 21, was well attended. Some came for miles. The regular picnic dinner was ready at one o'clock. The tables were loaded with all the good things which only farmers wives know how to prepare.

The afternoon was spent in visiting and listening to a very interesting program of speeches about pioneer days, also speaking by the young folks. After everybody had supper, they all went to the barn, where the music had started, and enjoyed dancing for hours—both old and young alike.

Everybody reports a good time, which can always be expected at the Grange picnic.

Biliousness and Constipation.

It is certainly surprising that any woman will endure the miserable feelings caused by biliousness and constipation, when relief is so easily had and at so little expense. Mrs. Chas. Peck, Gates, N. Y., writes: "About a year ago I used two bottles of Chamberlain's Tablets and they cured me of biliousness and constipation. Obtainable everywhere. Adv.

\$100 Reward, \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

Address: F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, Ohio.

Sold by all druggists, 75c.

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Coal and Coke

This is the month to put in your Solvay Coke. Prices \$6.75 from the car during the month of August.

We will have lots of Black Diamond Soft Coal this week, \$4.50 from the car. Phone 713.

J. M. BUNTING,

Sole Agent for Solvay Coke and Black Diamond Coal.

Rexall

Dyspepsia Tablets

Will Relieve Your Indigestion

A. M. Lewis & Co.

WANTS

Advertisements will be accepted under this heading at the rate of 5 cents per line. No advance taken for less than 15 cents. There are about six words to the line. SEND MONEY WITH THE ORDER.

TEAM OF HORSES FOR SALE—or for trade for stock. Phone country line No. 2 long. George Belmore. 9-9-3

CHICKENS FOR SALE—A flock of high grade white leghorns. Good layers. If you want hens for laying you cannot beat them. O. P. Schumann.

FOUND—Strayed horse. Black gelding, weight about 1,000 lbs. about 12 years old; slightly knee-sprung. Now at the farm of Frank Ingerson, 4 miles east of Grayling. Address: Frank Ingerson, Grayling. 9-9-2

GOOD HOME for sale, has nine rooms and bath. For particulars inquire of Mrs. J. B. Woodburn. 9-9-1f

REWARD—Strayed from Roger Sherman Fur Farm, 4 red foxes (one has only 3 legs). Reward for any of them, or information. Will sell black mare, buggy and harness, for \$150 cash. James P. Sherman, supt.

RELIABLE man wanted to clerk in store and trim windows. Good wages for the right party. Apply at once. Sorenson Bros.

FOR SALE—A good piano. Inquire of Victor Salling. 9-9-3

GIRL WANTED for kitchen work. Phone 1004. Miss Edith Ballard.

FOR SALE—A good work horse and light wagon cheap for cash. Horse weighs 1600 lbs. and is 11 years old. Must be sold within the next 30 days. Inquire of W. J. Graham, Grayling, Mich. 9-1-2

GIRL WANTED for general housework. Apply at Avalanche office or phone 1112.

SHOT GUN—Winchester 12 gauge pump gun for sale at a bargain. Inquire of Allen B. Failing.

FOR SALE—Two horse power International gasoline engine, in perfect condition for \$25. F. R. Deckrow.

FOR SALE—Two pairs draft horses. E. P. Richardson, Roscommon. 8-3f

PIANO TUNING—Leave orders at C. J. Hathaway's jewelry store. F. S. Haynes.

FOR SALE—Our old homestead consisting of 40 acres, 20 lots, 9 room house, barn sheds, chicken coops, windmill and water pipes. Good reason for selling. W. F. Brink. 6-24-f

SHOE repairing neatly done. Phone No. 921 and I will call for the work and deliver it free of charge. N. P. Larson. 7-8-8.

FOUND—A ladies' gold locket, containing three pictures. Owner inquired of Chas. Egler.

None Equal to Chamberlain's.

"I have tried most all of the cough cures and find that there is none that equal Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It has never failed to give me prompt relief," writes W. V. Harner, Montpelier, Ind. When you have a cold give this remedy a trial and see for yourself what a splendid medicine it is. Obtainable everywhere.

An Ordinance to amend Sections 4 and 5 of Ordinance No. 1, of the Village of Grayling, as amended, entitled "Relative to Licenses."

The Village of Grayling ordains: Sec. 1. Sections 4 and 5 of ordinance No. 1 of said village of Grayling, as amended, entitled "Relative to Licenses" is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 4. All peddlers and hawkers exercising their calling within the village of Grayling, except peanut and popcorn vendors who are residents of said village of Grayling, shall before doing so, obtain a license therefor, and shall pay for such license for one week the sum of ten dollars and for less time the sum of two dollars for each day. The same shall apply to all persons selling or offering for sale goods, wares or merchandise, by hand, and cart, show stand, vehicle or otherwise from house to house in said village or upon the public streets or grounds of said village. This section shall not apply to persons selling domestic fruits, vegetables, dairy or farm products, or butchers' meat or fish. All residents of the said village selling or offering for sale popcorn or peanuts on the public streets or grounds of said village, shall before doing so, obtain a license therefor and shall pay for such license the sum of five dollars per month.

Sec. 5. All licenses required by the provisions of this ordinance, shall be granted by the village clerk, and each license shall state therein its proper consecutive number, the amount paid therefor, the name of the person or persons licensed thereby, the business, occupation or matter licensed and the time for which the license was granted and licenses for selling peanuts and popcorn as hereinbefore provided, shall be approved and countersigned by the president of said village.

This ordinance shall take effect October 1st, 1915.

Passed, ordained and ordered published this 7th day of September, 1915.

T. P. PETERSON,
Clerk.

H. PETERSEN,
President.

Worth Their Weight in Gold.

"I have used Chamberlain's Tablets and found them to be just as represented, a quick relief for headaches, dizziness and other symptoms denoting a torpid liver and a disordered condition of the digestive organs. They are worth their weight in gold," writes Miss Clara A. Driggs, Elba, N. Y. Obtainable everywhere. Adv.

"I Don't Feel Good"

That is what a lot of people tell us. Usually their bowels only need cleansing.

Rexall Orderlies

will do the trick and make you feel fine. We know this positively. Take one tonight. Sold only by us, 10 cents.

A. M. Lewis & Co.

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The Pioneer Store

First Class Goods. Right Prices.

Always Our Motto.

We are Headquarters for

Groceries and Provisions

Dry Goods,
Furnishing Goods,
Shoes, Hardware,
Flour, Feed,
Logs, Lumber,
Shingles,
Building Material
of every kind

Farm Produce

BOUGHT AT

Highest Market Price

Salling, Hanson Co.

Commencing on Sept. 6th we will have a Voting Contest

To the livest boy or girl in Grayling and vicinity we will give a handsome guaranteed 20 year Gold Watch absolutely free.

Because we want the consumers in Grayling and vicinity to become acquainted with the excellent quality of Pioneer and Pride of Holland Coffees we offer these prizes.

All that is necessary for any girl or boy to do, who wishes to get into the contest is to call at our store and give us their name. We will then tell them how to get votes fast. Votes for the livest boy or girl in Grayling and vicinity are counted as follows:

Pioneer Coffee Labels Count 200 Votes
Pride of Holland Coffee Labels Count 100 Votes

Every consumer who purchases either of these brands of coffee have the privilege of voting for their favorite boy or girl in the race. Come in boys and girls and register and then your friends will vote for you. The contest ends when a total of 1000 pounds of coffee have been sold.

PEACHES! PEACHES!

We are taking orders for Fancy Michigan, Crawford and Billmeyer Peaches (the peach with a flavor). We will be able to fill your order next week with the best peach on the market at the lowest price a good peach has ever been sold at.

H. PETERSEN

The Home Baker

Who Is He?

He is the chap who gives back your money or makes exchanges if you are not satisfied, or get something that is not just right. He is the chap that stands behind his guarantee and tries to please his customers. Don't you think you ought to patronize your home baker? Don't you think you should insist on your grocer supplying you with the best home-made bread and help build a better and larger home industry for Grayling. Prompt attention given to special orders.

Model Bakery and Grocery

THOS. CASSIDY, Prop'r.

The Crawford Avalanche

Crawford County's Home Paper

Our advertisements bring results

VOCAL, PIANO AND SEWING LESSONS

Sewing Classes to begin
Saturday, September 11th

Vocal lessons.....35c lesson, ½ hour
Piano lessons.....35c hour
Plain sewing.....50c hour
Darning of fine linen, according to damage done.....Reasonable
Fancy Work lessons.....35c ½ hour
Classes of youngsters, 10 to 15, 35c hour at my home Saturday afternoons from 2 to 3.

Will give lessons in private homes at request
Phone No. 7

Miss Helen Reagan

All the Music of All the World



THE "LEADER" Price \$75 with Columbia Record Ejector \$85

Each succeeding new Columbia instrument, no matter what its price, has set a new mark for value at that price. Now we offer the "Leader"—an upright and fully cabined instrument of strikingly handsome appearance, and adhering in design and style, to the upright type which has come to be regarded by many as the standard of high grade "talking machines."

The voices of the world's great artists who have ever made disc records, without exception, are at your command if you own a Columbia. Because, although a majority of them make records exclusively for the Columbia Company, the instrument itself is so constructed that other makes of records can be played—the records are interchangeable.

There is a Columbia that conforms to every requirement of cost or surroundings. Between \$17.50 and \$500, the price you wish to pay is matched by an instrument that gives you the money's worth, even if measured solely by its intrinsic value. Measured by its musical quality, and its capacity for bringing you "all the music of all the world," the money-value is multiplied beyond any computation.

THE SEPTEMBER LIST

"Volkslied." The Scandinavian Folk song
"The Little Bird" and "Would I Were the Tender Apple Blossom."
"Calm as the Night."
"I Live and Love Thee."
"Juanita."
"Two Roses."
"Jean."
"The Star that Lights My Garden."
"Chanson Bohemienne."
"Nebelungen."
"Willow Grove March."

"Good Night, Farewell."
"There's a Long, Long Trail."
"There's a Little Lane Without a Turning."
"Are You the O'Reilly."
"Those Charley Chaplin Feet."
"If You Can't Get a Girl in the Summertime."
"Classic One-Step."
"Little Grey Home in the West."
"Where My Caravan Has Rested."

Olaf Sorenson & Sons

Grayling, Michigan

GIANT TREES OF SEQUOIA

A MOST ASTONISHING SPECTACLE.

One of Them Is Known to Have Sprouted 3,200 Years Ago.

The Sequoia National park, which lies many miles south of Yosemite, was created to preserve for the use and pleasure of the people of the United States by far the greatest groves of the oldest, the biggest, and the most remarkable trees living in this world. They number 1,666,000. Of these, 12,000 exceed 10 feet in diameter. The General Sherman tree, most celebrated of all, is 279.9 feet high with a diameter of 36.5 feet. The Abraham Lincoln tree is 270 feet high with a diameter of 31 feet. The William McKinley tree is 291 feet high with a diameter of 28 feet.

The General Grant National park is usually mentioned with Sequoia because, though separated by six miles of mountain and forest, the two are practically the same national park. It contains only 2,536 acres and was created only for the protection of the General Grant tree, a non-tree sequoia 264 feet high and thirty-five feet in diameter. But General Grant shares his domain with distinguished neighbors, notably the George Washington tree, which is only nine feet less in height and six feet less in diameter.

The sequoias are the oldest living things in this world. "They are the connecting link," writes Ellsworth Huntington, "between the ancient East and the modern West."

"Three thousand fence posts, sufficient to support a wire fence around 8,000 or 9,000 acres, have been made from one of these giants, and that was only the first step toward using its huge carcass. Six hundred and fifty thousand shingles, enough to cover the roofs of seventy or eighty houses, formed the second item of its product. Finally there still remained hundreds of cords of firewood which no one could use because of the prohibitive expense of hauling the wood out of the mountains. The upper third of the trunk and all the branches lie on the ground where they fell, not visibly rotting, for the wood is wonderfully enduring, but simply waiting till some foolish camper shall light a devastating fire."

"Huge as the sequoias are, their size is scarcely so wonderful as their age. A tree that has lived 500 years is still in its early youth; one that has rounded out 1,000 summers and winters is only in full maturity; and old age, the three score years and ten of the sequoias, does not come for seventeen or eighteen centuries."

"How old the oldest trees may be is not yet certain, but I have counted the rings of seventy-nine that were over 2,000 years of age, of three that were over 3,000, and of one that was 3,150."

A daring thief Jack wrought last night. On pretty little Rose, He stole something he wanted right. Beneath her very nose.

Girl wanted for general housework. Inquire at Avalanche office.

PIONEER CITIZEN OF FREDERIC DEAD.

Theodore Gandron, Hotelman, Dies From Result of Accident.

Theodore Gandron, proprietor of the American house at Frederic, died at the Mercy hospital in this city Sunday last, as a result of an accident occurring the Friday before.

As he was leaving Burke Bros. on Friday evening he was about to step off the porch and missed the step, and fell upon the cement sidewalk, breaking his leg. Drs. Insley and Keyport were called and reduced the fracture, but because of an arterial rupture due to a scierosis condition, had the patient removed to the hospital in this city Saturday.

The patient sank into a semi delirium Saturday evening and was unconscious until the last, death relieving him of his suffering at 12:15 p. m. Sunday. The wife had been at his bedside constantly and the other members of the family were summoned Sunday forenoon and reached the bedside just in time to again see their father alive.

Under direction of L. A. Gardner, funeral director of Frederic, the body was removed to the home where funeral services were conducted Tuesday forenoon at the Catholic church, Rev. Fr. Riess performing the service. Interment was at the family lot in Elmwood cemetery, in this city.

The funeral cortege was met at the noon train and conducted to the cemetery by the Citizens band of this city, and was one of the largest turnouts seen here in some time, about twenty autos being in line.

Mr. Gandron and family were at one time residents of this city and are well known throughout the county. Mr. Gandron was one who "loved his fellow-men" and the many little acts of charity and help that have been dealt out by his hands have made almost every person in the community where he lived a friend. A kind and tender heart he had and none could suffer for want when he knew they needed help.

The floral offerings were many and beautiful, several large designs being presented by the citizens of his town and a fine large floral design from the members of the local order, Loyal Order of Moose. The friends of the sorrowing wife and children share with them in this sad hour.

OBITUARY. Theodore Gandron died Sept. 4, 1915, age 66 years and 8 months. Born Jan. 4, 1848, in River Duleau, Providence of Quebec. When a young man he came to Bay City, Mich., and on the 8th day of May 1891 was married to Mrs. Julia Blanchard.

He then located in Grayling, where he lived eight years, being employed by Sandy Anderson at the Commercial hotel.

In 1900 he moved to Lewistown, there taking possession of the Quebec house where he remained three years. He then moved to Frederic and took possession of the American hotel, where he continued in business until the time of his death.

Besides a widow he leaves to mourn him, seven children, two of whom are step children, Mrs. Rebora McDermid of Frederic, his son, Isaac, who at the present time is in the Philippines in the service of the U. S. Cavalry, Misses Agnes and Maggie and Leo at home, Mrs. Ernest Richards of Grayling and Mrs. Wilson Barnes of Saginaw.

Asking a Lot of the Grocer.

"I say," said the man from the farm to the grocer clerk, "What do you think this is? Just taste it."

The grocer clerk smelled it, then touched it with his tongue and became thoughtful.

"Well," said the clerk, "I should say that was soda."

Farmer: "That's just what I said. But my wife said it was rat poison. Will you try it again to make sure?"

"The Diamond From the Sky"—now running at the Opera house, Monday nights. Good pictures every night.

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Probate Notice.

STATE OF MICHIGAN. The Probate Court for the County of Crawford. At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the Village of Grayling in said county, on the 7th day of September, A. D., 1915.

Present, Hon. Wellington Batterson, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of John A. Everett, Allen B. Felling, administrator of said estate, having filed in said court his petition, praying for license to sell all private real estate owned by said estate in certain real estate therein described, for the purpose of paying the debts of said deceased.

It is ordered, that the 4th day of October, A. D., 1915, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition, and that all persons interested in said estate appear before said court, at said time and place, to show cause why a license to sell the interest of said real estate should not be granted.

It is further ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

WELLINGTON BATTESSON, Judge of Probate. A true copy. Wellington Batterson, 6-24-15.

Mortgage Sale.

Whereas, default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage executed by John F. Johnson, A. D. Margaret M. Johnson, his wife, of the city of Elkhart, in the State of Indiana, to John Cole in the village of Cedar Springs, Michigan, dated January 18, 1913, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Crawford county, Michigan, in Liber "G" of mortgages on pages 75 and 76, on the 29th day of March, A. D. 1913, and which said mortgage was duly assigned by John Cole of Cedar Springs, Michigan to Sarah A. Cole of Cedar Springs, Michigan, dated May 27th, 1913, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Crawford county on the 29th day of May, 1913, in Liber "G" of mortgages on page 523, and whereas said mortgage provided: "In case of non-payment of said principal, interest, or taxes, or insurance premium, or any part thereof, when payable as above provided, then, after 30 days default, the aforesaid principal, or so much thereof as remains unpaid, with all unpaid interest, shall become due and payable forthwith, at the option of said party of the second part, or his representatives and assigns, notice of which option is hereby waived." And whereas default has been made in the payment of both interest and principal provided for in said mortgage, and more than thirty days prior to the date of this notice said default having elapsed, and whereas the amount claimed to be due on said mortgage at the date of this notice for principal and interest is the sum of Nine Hundred and Eighty Nine and 78/100 Dollars (\$989.78), and also the legal charges of sale, including the attorney's fees, to be paid by the said party of the first part, in equity having been instituted to recover the same, notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale in said mortgage contained and the statute in such case made and provided, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described, at public auction to the highest bidder at the front door of the court house in the city of Grayling, Crawford county, Michigan, on Saturday, the 2nd day of October, 1915, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

Said mortgaged premises are situated in the county of Crawford, in the state of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit: The east half (1/2) of Section Fifteen (15) Town Twenty Seven (27) North, Range Two West (2) containing three hundred and nineteen acres, more or less, according to government survey.

Dated June 30th, A. D. 1915. SARAH A. COLE, Assignee of Mortgage.

T. B. TAYLOR, Attorney for Assignee of Mortgage, Cedar Springs, Michigan. 7-3-15.

Special Notice to Grayling Folks. We wish to announce that we are exclusive Grayling agents for the simple mixture of buckthorn bark, glycerine, etc., known as "Laxative." This remedy is used successfully for appendicitis, is the most THOROUGH bowel cleanser we ever sold. It is so powerful that ONE SPOONFUL relieves almost ANY CASE of constipation, sour or gassy stomach. Advertisers never gripe, is safe to use and the INSTANT action is surprising. A. M. Lewis, druggist.

State of Michigan. In the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford. In Chancery. Marius Hanson, Complainant, vs. Hal Davis, Juez Davis and Clayton D. Strachley, Defendants.

In pursuance of a decree of the Circuit court for the county of Crawford: In Chancery, made and entered on the twelfth day of July, A. D. 1915, in the above entitled cause, I, the undersigned, a circuit court commissioner of the said county of Crawford, shall sell at public auction or vendue to the highest bidder at the front door of the court house in the village of Grayling in said county of Crawford, on the eighteenth day of September, A. D. 1915, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day all those certain lands and premises, situated in the township of Grayling, county of Crawford and State of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit: Two (2) lots, Lot 1 and Lot 2, each Two (2) of Oak Hill park, according to the record plat thereof.

OSCAR PALMER, Circuit Court Commissioner, Crawford Co., Mich. 7-24-15.

Drug Laws.

The Federal, the State and the Municipal laws, are aimed to protect the people against narcotics and habit forming drugs.

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Lots numbered five and six, on the northwest corner of block twenty-eight, Roffee's addition can be bought cheap for cash. A fine location.

A desirable lot for a dwelling in Brink's addition.

80 acres unimproved land two miles southeast of Grayling, the foundation for a first class farm. Can be bought on easy terms for part, for \$800.00.

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O. Palmer.

Manistee & N. E. R. R. Time Card

In effect June 27, 1915.

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The Climatic Muse.

"Why is spring poetry so frequent, my friend?"
"People who write it can't get the proper atmosphere. A spring poem to be ready for an April magazine has to be completed in January."

Disappointed.

"She is certainly mean."
"Why, what did she do?"
"She asked me if I liked music with my meals, and when I said that I did she started the phonograph."

His Complaint.

"Let me see," said the doctor, as the patient walked into his office: "what is your complaint now?"
"Why, your bill is too large," was the startling reply.

PROOF.



First Grocery Clerk—I know she's just married.
Second Grocery Clerk—How so?
First Grocery Clerk—She's going to try to make a pudding like the illustration on the front of the package.

Lover of Water.

The mermaid is a funny girl.
She likes, so we have found, Not only water on the side But water all around.

The Office Boy's Guess.

"Boy, why did you give me the signal to duck out of my office yesterday afternoon; did you not know that the lady inquiring for me was my wife?"
"Yes, sir; that was why."

Its Weight.

"Jinks tells me he is building up a business to make stout women thin again."
"Then he must be making a fat thing of it."

Fewest Battles in December.

December is the least belligerent month in the calendar. A correspondent who has analyzed the dates of over 1,000 battles of the world, from Marathon to Mons, finds that fewer than fifty of them were fought in December, and these few were among the least important and decisive. Scarcely one of them would be known to the proverbial schoolboy. On the other hand, July, as is only fitting, seeing that it is named after a soldier, is the most belligerent, with 122 great battles to its credit or otherwise, and is closely followed by August with 122.—Westminster Gazette.

Soldiers' Reunion Committee Meeting.

The committee, for the soldier's reunion, that is to be held in this city next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, are requested to meet at the G. A. R. hall, to-morrow, Friday, night to complete plans for the final arrangements. Please be on hand at 8:30 o'clock p. m. Following persons are chairmen of the various committees: W. Chalker, A. M. Lewis, Ladies of W. R. C., T. W. Hanson, O. Palmer, C. J. Hathaway and H. Petersen. Besides the chairman it is desired that the other members of the committee be also present.

By order of W. S. Chalker, Chm'n Executive Committee.

To the Public.

"I feel that I owe the manufacturers of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy a word of gratitude," writes Mrs. T. N. Withersall, Gowanda, N. Y. "When I began taking this medicine I was in great pain and feeling terribly sick, due to an attack of summer complaint. After taking a dose of it I had not long to wait for relief as it benefited me almost immediately." Obtainable everywhere.

The Wise Child.

The Teacher—So George told his father that he cut the cherry tree. He knew it was wrong to tell a lie. Now, why did George say he cut it?
The Pupil—Aw, you know.
The Teacher—Why, Jimmy? He knew it was wrong to tell a lie. Now, what was the reason?
The Pupil—Aw, say, war's de use? De kid knew it wasn't safe to tell de lie.
The Teacher—Jimmy, don't pull no more o' dat soshological stuff. Me brudder's got two shelves of books full of de dope. You knows dat de inner consciousness can't conquer de primitive impulse to avoid de consequences. Let it go at dat."—Cleveland Plain Dealer

THOSE SPRING POETS



First Poet—Let's see! Pegasus is supposed to be a horse, isn't he?
Second Poet—Yes, but I think my Pegasus must be an automobile.
First Poet—Why so?
Second Poet—Because about the time I try to speed it is sure to break down.

Local News

Mr. J. J. Riess is in Grand Rapids on business, for a few days.

Miss Helen Bauman is entertaining Miss Hilda Jackson, of Flint.

Efner Matson enjoyed Sunday and Monday at Potosi, visiting friends.

Bert Chapple has been appointed deputy sheriff, by sheriff William H. Cody.

Mrs. Olaf Michelson was hostess to several friends at dinner, on Tuesday evening.

James Ford, of Detroit, spent Sunday and Monday here, visiting his brother Paul and friends.

Miss Florence Corwin, and brother George, returned yesterday from Northville, where they have been visiting relatives.

Rev. Aaron Mitchell will leave next Monday to attend a conference of the Methodist churches to be held next week in Port Huron.

Mrs. Frank Mack, of Gaylord, accompanied by her sister and little grand daughter, of Johannesburg, spent Sunday with friends here.

Miss Margaret Joseph left Saturday afternoon for Milwaukee, to specialize in mathematics and German at one of the educational institutions there.

Grayling friends of Mrs. Fred Michelson will be interested in knowing, that a fine 10-12 pound son came to brighten her home, on Friday last.

Walter Williams and sisters, Misses Hazel and Alva, are spending this week in East Jordan, their former home town, attending the Charlevoix county fair.

The Junior Aid met at the home of Miss Ida Granger, Saturday, August 4th. After business had been transacted dainty refreshments were served by the hostess.

A. M. Lewis, wife and son returned Tuesday night from a two weeks vacation, spent in several southern Michigan cities, including the former old home town, Brown City.

The last service before Conference will be held Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock, and evening at 7:30 o'clock. Come and join in the service with us. A hearty welcome is extended to you.

The work at the gymnasium tonight will be for men, under the supervision of instructors Borjberg and Bungard. Every man, old or young, should try and attend. No charges made whatever.

The Junior Aid girls will give a box social at the Methodist church, Friday evening, September 17th. A program will be rendered and an enjoyable evening will be promised all who attend.

Miss Hebe Williams celebrated her tenth birthday on Saturday by inviting ten little friends to her home. Light refreshments were served and a pleasant afternoon spent. Miss Hebe received many pretty gifts.

The Michigan Central, to show their appreciation of the patronage of the workmen from the DuPont Powder plant, put on an extra car, Saturday afternoon, to carry them to Bay City. Superintendent Rose suggested that their men did not like the idea of standing up every Saturday, so Mr. Donohue got busy, and arranged this extra accommodation. Surely the men appreciated this favor on the part of the railroad company. They had the car all to themselves.

The Ogemaw County Fair and Night Carnival at West Branch, October 5, 6 and 7, will be bigger and better this year than ever before. \$1000.00 will be spent for races, which means a good race program each day. Big midway with plenty of special attractions, including two aeroplane flights daily will make the Ogemaw County Fair and Night Carnival worth going miles to see. The Night Carnival will be a special feature each night with a magnificent fireworks display, night baseball, free attractions, big dancing pavilion and the grounds lighted with electricity. The fair officials are planning on the Fair at West Branch this year being a big event from start to finish.

Today as the morning broke clear and snappy, it saw a party of thirteen leave on a short cruise down the Au-Sable enroute to the Recreation club, where they will spend three days. The Misses Hilda Jackson of Flint, Emily Mosher of Santa Monica, Cal., Marion and Elsie Salling, Margrethe and Helen Bauman, the Messrs "Dutch" Lyons of Pittsburg, Pa., "Nick" Dabeletsch of Leadville, Col., Roy Lathers of Traverse City, Waldemar Olson, "Babe" Hum and "Doc" Insley Jr. of this city with Mrs. Robt. Reagan as chaperone made up the party. Messrs Lyons and Dabeletsch are on their way back to the U. of M. to start training for the coming football season, under the watchful eye of Coach Yost.—Contributed.

Unfortunately a number of veterans from West Branch arrived in Grayling yesterday, thinking the G. A. R. reunion was to begin that day. There had been some talk at the first preliminary meeting of the arrangement committee to select this week for the reunion, but because it was expected that our band would be engaged to play in Bay City at this time, the following week was selected. Why some of the veterans there should not have known the right days, it is hard to understand. Newspapers in this part of Michigan, including the dailies at Bay City and Saginaw, had published the dates. One of the party had a copy of the official program in his pocket, containing the dates, but hadn't noticed the dates published on the front page. They returned on the afternoon train.

Mr. and Mrs. John Corey are here, to visit their daughter, Mrs. S. S. Phelps, Sr., and family, and are also enjoying meeting many of their old friends in this city. They were formerly highly esteemed citizens of this city, having resided here several years ago.

A church rally and business meeting was held at the fourth quarterly conference of the Methodist Episcopal church on Monday evening. The church has had a very successful year, and twenty-three people have been taken into membership during that time. Dr. J. Dystant, district superintendent of Cheboygan presided at the meeting and also gave an enthusiastic address. Mr. Oliver, who is staying in town for a short time also gave an excellent and helpful address. An unanimous request was made for the bishop to re-appoint Rev. Aaron Mitchell to the Grayling church for another year.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Cook, of Eldorado, pioneer settlers of Crawford county, were agreeably surprised at their fine farm home, Sept. 5th, by their many friends and neighbors, gathering there to the number of about forty, the occasion being the 60th birthday anniversary of Mr. Cook. The time was pleasantly passed in reminiscences by the older members of the assemblage, of the early days of Crawford county, and by various games by the younger set. Until at 2:30 p. m. when the party was summoned to the spacious dining room, where a sumptuous dinner was served, the table being tastefully decorated with seasonal flowers. The diners being meanwhile entertained by the latest pieces on a fine large phonograph, and the atmosphere generally ardent with cheer and good will.

The next thing in order, after this bounteous repast, were automobile rides on the fine roads to Roscommon, and other points. Upon the return of the party, late in the afternoon, ice cream, cakes and other light refreshments were served, and after many expressions of pleasure and good will, all united in voting Mrs. Cook a successful hostess. Among those present were many prominent early settlers and others, Mr. and Mrs. Hoy, of Rose City, parents of Mrs. Cook; Mr. and Mrs. I. Ochs and Mr. and Mrs. Frye, and family of Roscommon; Mrs. Wehenes, her son Conrad and family, and her daughter, Miss Frances, of Eldorado; Mr. and Mrs. John Floeter, of Coy; Mr. and Mrs. W. Elliott, and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. J. Weber and family, and Miss Emma Grundman, of Big Creek; Mr. Fred Brooks, of Fairview, and Mr. and Mrs. John G. Stephan, and family, of Grayling.

DuPont News Items.

Preparatory to going to Grand Rapids Louis Pitcock, of the American Bridge Co., will spend several days at his home in Pittsburg.

Foreman Starr and timekeeper Louis Pitcock, of the American Bridge Co., leave today for Grand Rapids to take charge of a large construction job for their company.

The local officials of the DuPont Co. are very pronounced in their appreciation of the accommodation extended them by the Michigan Central railroad last Saturday. The company put two extra coaches on the afternoon train to Bay City and placed one at the disposal of the DuPont employees. This service was especially appreciated at such a time when so many people were traveling and when all coaches were filled. About 35 of the DuPont employees went down on the train.

Peterson-Woodburn Wedding.

At 8:30 o'clock Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Olsen, the marriage of their daughter, Miss Louise Marie Peterson to Mr. Earl Franklin Woodburn, son of Mrs. J. B. Woodburn, was solemnized by Rev. Aaron Mitchell of the M. E. church. The affair was one of simplicity and was attended only by immediate friends and relatives. The home was a bower of flowers, tea roses and sweet peas being tastefully arranged throughout. Above where the happy couple stood, while they spoke the marriage vows, was a canopy of smilax and tiny white flowers.

The bride looked very pretty in white silk net over embroidered satin and carried a shower bouquet of tea roses and lilies-of-the-valley tied with white tulle. Lilies-of-the-valley held in place about the bride's head. Mrs. Louis McConnell, formerly Miss Ruth Barlow, as bridesmaid wore a gown of white brocade satin and carried tea roses and sweet peas. Harry Connine officiated as best man, both he and the groom wore the conventional black.

After the ceremony supper was served by the Misses Clara Nelson, Vera Fischer and Flora Hanson. Sweet peas and roses were prettily arranged on the bridal table and lighted candles graced it. The bride and groom were the recipients of many beautiful gifts from their many friends. The out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Louis McConnell of Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. Axel Becker of Johannesburg, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Nelson of Lewiston, Mrs. Riker of Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. William Pobursky of Detroit, and Miss Ida Lilly of Grand Rapids. Mr. and Mrs. Woodburn left on the midnight train Saturday for a wedding trip to Detroit and Indianapolis. At the latter place they expect to make their home, where Mr. Woodburn is employed by the City Electric Light Co. Mrs. Woodburn is well known here, is a graduate of Grayling high school and also of the Ypsilanti normal last June. Mr. Woodburn has spent most of his life here, is also a graduate of the local high school and attended the U. of M. for a couple of years. Both young people receive the happy congratulations of a host of friends.

Lovells.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Hanson entertained a party of thirty at the Douglas house Friday.

Alice Murdock returned to Detroit after spending a delightful vacation with Florence McCormick and other friends.

Mrs. Husted is slowly improving after a severe attack of rheumatism.

Mr. and Mrs. King of Chicago were guests at the Douglas house Monday. Mr. King is the publisher of "King's Official Route Guide" and is completing a motorist guide of this section of the state.

T. E. Douglas is in Saginaw purchasing furniture for the new club house.

Douglas Shannon left Saturday for Port Huron and Sarnia, Ont.

Jos. Kennedy, wife and daughter, Douglas Kennedy and Emmet Pierce autoed to Mio Sunday, spending the day with relatives and friends.

Miss Edith Sherne returned to Grayling Tuesday to begin her sophomore year in high school.

Friends and relatives received word Sunday announcing the marriage of Miss Masie Douglas to A. J. Pearsall, both of Johannesburg.

Word was received from Mrs. Chas. Lee announcing the arrival of a baby girl born to Will Lee and wife.

A number of men had a bee Monday afternoon at the school yard, grading and cleaning the yard, trimming the trees and banking the building. A new heater has been installed and new seats will take the place of the old ones soon. Miss Foley assures us that this will greatly increase the efficiency of the work.

School began Tuesday with Miss Matilda Foley as teacher. Twenty-two were enrolled.

Miss M. Foley spent Sunday at her home, returning Monday. She was accompanied by her sister Gertrude who will attend school in Lovells.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas and Miss Foley attended the Hanson-Graham wedding in Grayling Sept. 1st.

Miss Margaret Husted, who has spent a few weeks in Lovells, returned to West Branch to begin her work as teacher of the eighth grade in that city. Martha Stillwagon accompanied her.

Dr. Canfield was in Lovells Sunday, being called to Sanford Griffin's.

(Too late for last week.)
Jack Redhead was in town Wednesday.

Miss Margaret Husted of West Branch is visiting her sisters, Mrs. T. E. Douglas and Mrs. C. Stillwagon.

Mr. Buzzell is a guest at the home of his brother-in-law, F. Owen.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowbriek and Mr. and Mrs. Gistman of Saginaw and Mr. and Mrs. Dewayne Parker of Rose City motored thru from Saginaw, Sunday afternoon spending a day at the home of E. H. Parker.

T. E. Douglas and son, Edgar went to Saginaw Monday returning Wednesday morning.

A very pleasant evening was spent at the pavilion in dancing Monday evening. The music furnished by Mr. Eschmann was as usual fine.

Misses Sadie and Louise Hanna, who have enjoyed the greater part of the summer with relatives returned to their work in Tiffin, Ohio last Friday.

Miss Ethel Eschmann returned to Detroit, Monday after spending a very pleasant two week's vacation with her cousin, Miss Bertha Eschmann and parents at the Eschmann cottage.

Mr. Sullivan and little son of La-per visited for a few days with Mrs. Sullivan, who has been spending the summer here owing to her ill-health.

Mrs. A. Lozo, who has been laid up with a severe attack of erysipelas the past week, consulted with Dr. A. C. McKinnon of Lewiston and is much better now.

The Fable of the Young Man Who Always Was "Going to."

Once upon a time, in a town that boasted the residence of three souls who had seen Gertrude Hoffman dance, there lived a young man who spent most of his time boasting of what he was going to do.

For, had he not spent a year in Chicago? And did he not know the world and the big opportunities lying around in it? He did.

But this young man never would explain why he had never grasped any of the opportunities. "Just wait," and "You just watch me," were his favorite expressions, and as sure as days came round he would tell his friends of having just turned down a flattering offer from some captain of commerce who had earnestly entreated him to accept a position at twice the salary of their president. He declared prominent merchants, wealthy manufacturers, and eminent statesmen were bitter enemies of one another because they knew each were after this young genius' services. The man who owned the grain elevator in the little town had insulted our young hero by offering him a job as their weighman at what any other boy would have considered big wages. In fact, there was but one person in the town who could understand the mysterious youth. The one person was his father. The father more than once had found his son unable to add a dozen figures correctly or write five words that any human might read.

MORAL—There's always a reason.

"I Don't Feel Good"
That is what a lot of people tell us. Usually their bowels only need cleansing. **Exall-Orderlies** will do the trick and make you feel fine. We know this positively. Take one tonight. Sold only by us, 10 cents.
A. M. Lewis & Co.

Pleasant Outing at Buttles Home.

"By sports like these are all their cares beguiled." The sports of children satisfy the child.—Goldsmith.

It was indeed a merry crowd of friends who started out about nine o'clock on Sunday morning to accompany Mrs. David Kneeland of Milwaukee to the home of her brother, Mr. Cephas Buttles, who lives on a beautiful farm a few miles from Lewiston. The day was ideal and the ride exhilarating. By noon each of the six autos which conveyed the party to the farm had arrived and the keys to the farm from the henery to the stables, had been handed over to the party.

Everything around the place welcomed the visitors. The hens cackled, the ducks quacked, the dog barked, the corn pricked up its ears, and even the scarecrow stood with outstretched arms to receive the Grayling guests. After everything in turn had been inspected the tables were spread for dinner and forty hungry people sat down to a sumptuous meal. During this time they were entertained with music from the baryard orchestra led by Prof. Rooster. We will only mention a few of the selections, such as "My Wife's Gone to the Country," "In the Haying Time," "Maud Muller with variations," and several others which were appropriate to the day.

After dinner a yoke of oxen was hitched to the hay wagon and the ladies were given a ride much in the same way as their grandmothers and great grandmothers used to do. And so the merry-making went on until early in the evening, when the honk! honk! of autos reminded the party that all good things must come to a close, and after bidding Mr. and Mrs. Buttles good night the line of autos started toward home, everyone feeling that they had had a fine time down "on the farm."

Soldier's Reunion next Week.

The 37th annual reunion of the soldiers of northern Michigan, will open in this city next Tuesday, and will last three days. It is expected that there will be an attendance of about 200 visitors, including the veterans, their wives and sons of veterans.

It is the desire of the executive committee and the citizens generally that everybody co-operate in helping to make this reunion a memorable one. Any courtesy that may be extended the honored guests should be gladly performed. Let everybody to join hands and give freely of their service and accommodations, and help to make this a happy time. The program for the three days will be about as outlined in this paper, August 26. It will open with the citizens and others meeting the incoming trains, and escorting the visitors to the G. A. R. headquarters at their hall.

In the afternoon there will be speeches at the opera house, in the evening a camp fire in the Temple theatre. A splendid program is ready for Wednesday forenoon, which will be held at the Opera house, and consist of speeches and music.

Wednesday afternoon will be taken up with a ride to the Military reservation, guests of the citizens of Grayling, and supper at Virginia place, guests of T. W. Hanson. In the evening the guests will be entertained at a theater party at the Opera house. Thursday, the last day, the forenoon will be spent in speech making, music etc., and in the afternoon there will be election of officers, after which ranks will be broken.

The business places and citizens generally are requested to decorate their places of business with bunting and flags.

The streets will be properly decorated by a committee appointed for that purpose.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to extend our appreciation and gratitude to the friends who so kindly remembered us in the time of sorrow caused by the accident and death of our husband and father. The floral offerings from our friends and the members of the Loyal Order of Moose of Grayling, were indeed kind. Mrs. THEODORE GARDNER AND FAMILY.

Courage vs. Decency.

The other day an excited individual rushed into a newspaper office with a choice bit of scandal burning his tongue. It made no difference to this person that the scandal affected the daughter of his neighbor—that the mother of the girl was seriously ill—that the brother was just entering what promised to be a successful professional career. The scandal was rich in flavor, and he wanted to see it in the paper. He told the editor about it, with every evidence of the keen relish of the scandal connoisseur, but impressed upon the newspaper man that the source of his information must be kept inviolably secret. When the newspaper came out, the man returned to ask why the story hadn't been printed. Short, sharp words followed, and the visitor called the editor a coward and left, vowing that a man who was afraid to print the news had no right to be an editor.

To our mind, that editor was a very brave man. The editor ran a paper in a small town. So closely related were the lives of the inhabitants, that the editor knew every detail of the story before his visitor called on him. But he could see no profit for himself nor glory for his paper in printing an item that would bring sorrow to the gray hairs of a father, disgrace to a brother and probably serious consequences to a sick mother. If the news appetites of his readers were so voracious, he thought, as to demand this costly food, he would refuse to pay the price. The editor was right. Many things he has to print which he would rather leave unsaid, but the scandal which has only its "spice" to recommend it should have no place in the columns of a self-respecting newspaper. We would rather build than tear down. We would rather print the things that help and encourage and uplift, than to hold up the mistakes of some unfortunate to the scorn and contempt of his neighbors. Decency is not lack of courage. If it were, we would rather be decent than courageous.

Why Not Smile?

Are you angry? Is your lip cracked? Are you afraid of wrinkles? Are you suffering from an ingrowing grinch? None of them? Then why don't you smile? History tells us of men who trained themselves not to smile, because they wanted a stern expression of countenance. The savages prided themselves on not showing any sort of emotion. Have you noticed in the photographs, that the mothers of the war heroes of Europe are not smiling? Neither are the generals who are doing the killing. Only the heroes themselves are smiling. A hard and stern expression does not indicate a good heart nor a clear conscience. A thief seldom smiles. The woman of the streets smiles with her lips, but her eyes are cold and hard. The poverty stricken man on the street who begs for a dime, sends his plea direct to your heart if his appeal is accompanied by a smile. Only the failures of life never smile. A smile is the cry of the sentry of the soul—"All's Well!"

For Their Neighbors.

The hardest housekeeping in the world is the housekeeping that people do for their neighbors. Half the troubles we have are caused by worrying about what people think. What difference does it make what they think, anyway? No one can live his own life and two or three other people's lives besides. What's the use of setting up housekeeping on the roof or on the outside walls for the benefit of the neighbors? You would rightly be judged insane if you suggested anything of the kind, and that is practically what half the people do. They can't do this because the neighbors would talk, and they can't do that because the neighbors would wonder if they could not afford to do something else. They may not say it in so many words, but they mean it, and it is simply a great big vacuum in some of our natures where moral courage ought to be. Half the sting of poverty or small means is gone when one keeps house for himself and not for his neighbors.

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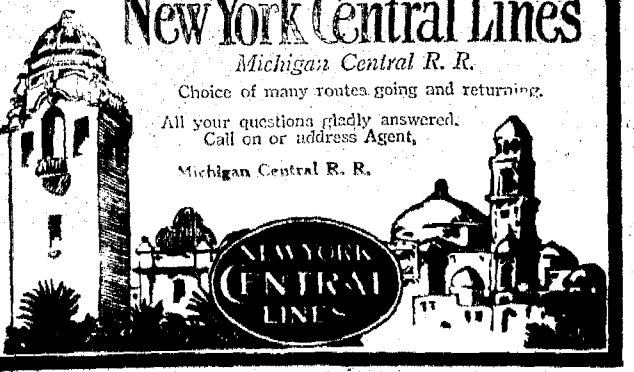
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GRAYLING, THURSDAY, SEPT. 9

Local News

We are showing swell fall hats for women. Grayling Mercantile Co.

Capt. Case and family started for Ludington, by auto, last Saturday, to enjoy a well earned vacation.

State Treasurer Haarer and his family of Lansing, were at Portage lake a few days last week, and also made calls upon several of our towns people.

Mr. and Mrs. George Belmonte attended the golden wedding anniversary of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luke Beauson, at West Branch, Monday.

Subscribe for the Avalanche.

Fall hats for women that are new are here. Grayling Mercantile Co.

Herbert Bresette, of Bay City, visited friends here for a couple of days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Smith leave Thursday for Bay City, to attend the home coming.

The village tax roll is in the hands of the treasurer, at the Bank of Grayling for collection. Taxes are now due.

Miss Maude Tetu and Miss Catharine O'Leary left last Thursday for Cadillac, being called there to care for two serious cases at the hospital in that city.

Roy Case started for Detroit, Thursday of last week, to return to the 31st regiment at that city the horse that had become injured during the encampment. Not wishing to send the horse by freight, the young man rode it to Detroit.

Subscribe for the Avalanche.

Girl wanted for general housework. Inquire at Avalanche office.

Miss Lucile Looze, of Chicago, is a guest of Mrs. Geo. Bellanger, for an indefinite time.

Florence Smith left Saturday morning for Reading, Mich., to teach in the public school.

Correct filling of all prescriptions is what our customers get every time. Central Drug Store.

J. M. Bunting and daughter, Marie, returned Monday afternoon from Bay City, after a week's visit.

For First Class Livery and Heavy Work call Peter Jorgenson, Phone 1303. Open day and night.

L. C. Bungard will lecture Sunday evening, at 7:30 o'clock, at Danebod hall, on his experiences in Chicago.

Word has been received that a baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. John McCallahan, of Bay City, on Aug. 23d.

Miss Emily Mosher, of Calif., arrived from Bay City last Friday, and is the guest of Miss Margrethe Bauman.

Clarence Johnson, who is employed in the Dupont Powder Co's offices in Bay City, spent Sunday at his home here.

Mrs. A. Phillips, who has been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Smith for the past two weeks, left Tuesday for her home in Bay City.

Boats for rent at Portage Lake park a half mile from resort, on the M. & N. E. railroad. Fine train service from Grayling. Otto McIntyre, 6-3-11.

Miss Margrethe Bauman entertained with a steak roast last Saturday evening, at Portage lake, in honor of her guest, Miss Emily Mosher of Santa Monica, Cal.

Any lady who likes aluminum ware in her kitchen is invited to come to this store and let us explain how they can get what they want free of cost. DeWaele & Son.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Payson, of the latter's sister, Mrs. Helen O'Haver, returned to their homes in Toledo, O., after spending the summer months at their summer cabin, down the Au-Sable.

Mrs. Michael Shanahan returned Tuesday morning after a week's visit with relatives and friends in Decker-ville and Bay City. Frank, who accompanied her, returned home last Friday.

Miss Florence Doty, after spending several weeks at the home of her sister, Mrs. Oscar Schumann, returned Saturday last to her home in Grand Rapids to resume her work as teacher in one of the schools.

Victor Salling has let a contract for the construction of a store building on his lot adjoining the new hotel. George Lather, who is also erecting the new school and hotel buildings will do the work. It is intended to begin excavating soon.

Labor day in Grayling was no different than any other day, from general appearances, except that the construction forces on the new school house, Dupont Powder company and the new hotel were not at work. Most of the workmen from out of the city spent the day in their respective homes.

A few copies of the Public acts of 1915 have arrived at the court house. This is probably the largest edition ever published in Michigan. It contains 482 pages of new laws and 568 pages of amendments and changes. The index comprises about 200 pages. This volume is more than twice as large as the edition of the Public acts of 1913.

Base ball teams from Riverview and Kalkaska, played a game at Sigma last Sunday, the former winning by a score of 8 to 6. A number of the Riverview players were regular lumberjacks and they went up against a lot of youngsters and showed them where to get off at. Several Grayling citizens were present and they report a good interesting game.

ATTEND TO THE EYES OF THE School Children

Eye troubles make a child backward in his studies.

Headaches of school children may be caused by defective vision.

The eyes of the children are called upon to do their hardest work in school. Eye strain therefore is often a result. Neglect of this condition is a serious handicap to the child and may entail various serious consequences.

Get a Scientific Optometric Examination of the eyes if there is any trouble. Call on me for this examination, if glasses are required they will be supplied at reasonable prices. Should they be not needed you will frankly be told so.

C. J. Hathaway
OPTOMETRIST

Miss Anna Boeson visited friends in Johannesburg over Sunday last.

Messrs Charles and Edward Gierke are spending a few days vacation at Bay City this week.

Mrs. Earl Kidd left Saturday afternoon for Bay City to attend the homecoming there this week.

"Why Mary, where did you get that pencil and tablet?" "Why I got it at Frank Dreese's for 5c."

Mrs. Eugene Gardner and daughter Catharine, were guests of relatives at Roscommon over Sunday.

Adam Gierke and wife left Tuesday morning for Bay City to attend the homecoming held there this week.

Miss Blanch Angers of Pinconning expects to return home today after a week spent here, the guest of Miss Anna Nelson.

Mrs. Fred Ireland of Washington, D. C., Mrs. Chas. Daggane and Miss Maggie Mallay formed a congenial party for luncheon with Mrs. S. B. Wakeley Tuesday at Camp Romeo down the river.

Miss Olga Raee, who has been conducting a manicuring and hair dressing parlor here, has discontinued her work and left for Chicago last Saturday morning and expects to continue this same line of work there.

"Frank, do the catalogs bother you?" "Me, me, why I am sure in it on the ground floor, when it comes to that stuff. Notice my illustrated ad in this issue of the Avalanche, and also my bills, now in circulation."

Mrs. Fred Hanson and daughter Agnes left Monday for Detroit to visit at the homes of Mrs. C. Kripke and Mrs. J. Hanson. Miss Hanson from there goes to Mt. Pleasant to work for the fall season for the Campbell Mercantile Co.

Mrs. Fred Ireland, Mrs. Chas. Daggane and Mrs. S. B. Wakeley spent the day with Mrs. Arthur Wakeley, it being in honor of the two former, who leave soon for Washington, D. C. The afternoon was spent in sewing. Delicious refreshments were served.

School opened in all departments but the first grade Tuesday morning. The first grade will start in the G. A. R. hall on Monday morning, September 20. The hall will be used next week during the soldiers' reunion, hence this delay. If your child belongs to one of the other grades and is not in school by next Monday you may look for a visit from the truant officer.

Remember the opening days at Frank's store, Main 1043, there will be a lady demonstrator in the window, each afternoon on the days mentioned in my ad, demonstrating the newest designs and artistic creations in ladies' cloaks. The wrapping paper starting on these days will be green. Watch for the many green bundles on the street. This store is lemon in color, but is no lemon. F. Dreese.

Mrs. R. Hanson entertained about thirty ladies on Friday, in honor of Mrs. Bay, Mrs. Kneeland and Mrs. Fournier, who are guests at the Hanson home. The ladies were taken by auto to the Douglas House, at Lovells, where they were served a fine dinner, after which the company were entertained with cards, dancing and a general good time. Later in the afternoon the guests were served with a lunch and early in the evening returned to Grayling, feeling that Mrs. Hanson had given them a very pleasant day.

Mrs. Earl Dawson was hostess on Tuesday evening of last week, in honor of Miss Louise Peterson. On arriving, the guests, who numbered twelve, were given dust cloth to them. After they had finished, a delicious luncheon was served in the dining room, where sweet peas and asters formed the table decoration. Before the guests left for their homes, little Joy Olson and Avis Larson carried a prettily trimmed basket which was filled with gifts, and set it before the bride elect, surprising the young lady with a miscellaneous shower.

The hunting season is about to open in fact duck hunting is now on, and it may be well to call attention of the numerous nimrods in this section to the fact that there is great danger from forest fires. Infinite care should be used to see that all camp fires are extinguished before leaving. Also care should be taken to see that no lighted match or cigar is thrown or dropped in the grass or other places where there may be danger of conflagration. There is no time of year when fires are more prevalent than during the fall and spring months, when grass becomes dead and dry. Also if you see a fire, PUT IT OUT.

A. L. Pond and wife, packed their household goods, and left for Bay City Monday afternoon, where Mr. Pond has purchased a home. The residence just vacated, they had occupied for twenty-four years. It was one of the houses bought by the school board, when they proposed to build. Mr. Pond was a lineman for the M. C. R. R. for several years, but for the last few years had charge of the electric part of the fire system here. He is an old soldier, enlisting in the army in Aug. 1861, in Co. E, 2nd Mich. Cavalry and was discharged in Jan. 1864, by reason of disability, incurred in the services. He was mustered in the G. A. R., at this place, Jan. 23, 1892, since where he has been an honored and efficient member. Mrs. Pond was active in many lodge and social circles and both will be very much missed by their many friends. The Avalanche wishes with their friends in wishing them happiness in their new home.

Reliable men wanted to clerk in store and tin windows. Good wages for right party. Apply at once.—Sorenson Bros.

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Fathers and Mothers

School will soon open. Are your boys and girls prepared with school clothes? We have received a complete line of ready-to-wear for your boy and girl and suggest that you look and compare prices. We can save you money and also give you serviceable clothes.

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You can't beat our "Best Ever" Suits for boys. Blue serges and mixtures, 6 to 18 years

\$3.00 to \$8.00

GIRLS' SCHOOL DRESSES

Washable Dresses that are just the thing for school. Sizes 2 to 6 at

25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00

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50c and up to \$2.00

BOYS' and GIRLS' SWEATERS

All sizes from the youngsters up to the large boy and girl

50c to \$3.50

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Percale and flannel

6 to 15 years

25c and 50c

BOYS' SHOES

If you want shoes that will stand hard wear, try our "Star Brand," button and lace, gun metal

Little Gents', 5 to 8, at..... **\$1.00 up**

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A complete showing of new fall footwear. Shoes that look good and wear better. Prices range from

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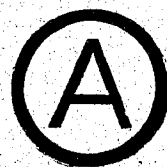
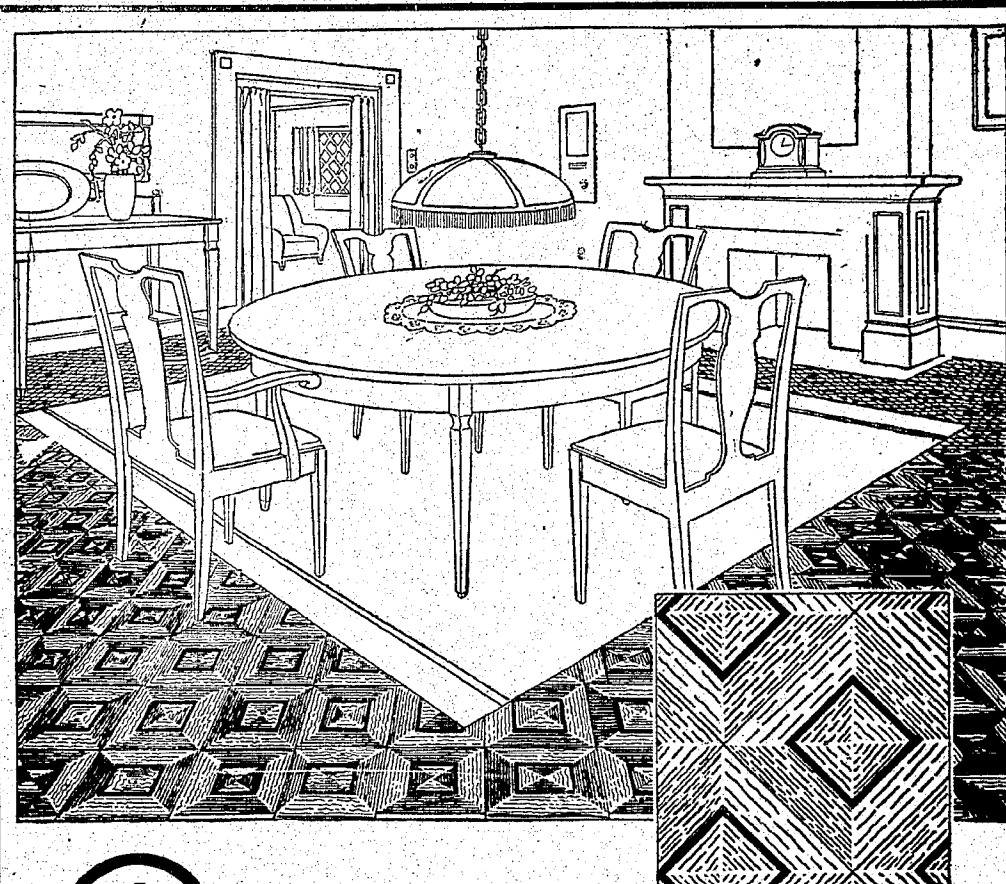
Boys' Knee Pants, sizes 4 to 20, **50c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50**

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Let us clothe your boy and girl. You won't regret it.

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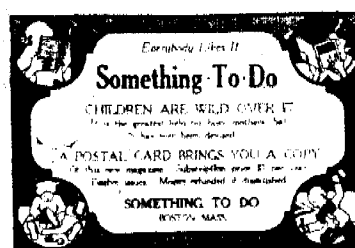
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Clean, Bright, Sanitary, Inviting—Cheery in Appearance—Economically Desirable

Greater care in designing and printing has reproduced wood grains most accurately. Armstrong's Linoleums are fit for any room in the house—especially fitted for the dining room. A complete variety of patterns and colors permits selection to harmonize with hangings.

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You can equip your kitchen with this beautiful "Ideal" Aluminum Ware without the investment of a single penny for the utensils themselves.

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The Home of Good Things to Eat

NATURE CAN'T DO EVERYTHING

She turns out lots of poor cabbages, mongrel dogs, tasteless strawberries, porous radishes, tough beef, stupid people and other poor products.

Still Nature does pretty well at that.

If every seed fell on good ground, the huckleberries would soon push us off the earth. Much has to give way, dry up, shrivel, deteriorate, die out and disappear to make room for the good. So it is all coffee is coffee, but it is not all good coffee.

Nature doesn't hit it off with coffee any oftener than she does with cabbages and radishes.

Common sense tells you that tons of poor coffee are sold in every city every day, often through avarice, but more often through ignorance.

It has taken Bour's 50 years, man and boy, sire and son, to learn all there is to know about coffee.

Nature still goes on making mistakes, but we got over making coffee mistakes many years ago. The accumulation of our coffee knowledge should have resulted in something.

It has.

Old Master Coffee is the result.

We know it will make the best cup of coffee you have ever had the good fortune to taste.

If you long for a perfect coffee, try it.

We have it at 40c the pound.

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By FRANCIS LYND

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SYNOPSIS.

Kenneth Griswold, an unsuccessful writer because of socialistic tendencies, holds up Andrew Galbraith, president of the Bayou State Securities, in the president's private office and escapes with \$100,000 in cash. By criminal methods he escapes the hue and cry and goes aboard the Belle Julie, an ornate motor launch. Charlotte Farnham of Wahaska, Minn., who had seen him cash Galbraith's check in the bank, recognizes him, and sends a letter of betrayal to Galbraith. Griswold is arrested on the arrival of the boat at St. Louis, but escapes from his captors. He decides on Wahaska, Minn., as a hiding place, and after outwitting himself properly, takes the train. Griswold falls ill on the sleeper and is cared for and taken to her home in Wahaska by Margery Grierson, daughter of Jasper Grierson, the financial magnate of Wahaska. Margery finds the stolen money in Griswold's suitcase. Broffin, detective, takes the trail. Margery asks her father to get Edward Raymer into financial hot water and then help him out of it. Griswold recovers to find the stolen money gone. He meets Margery, a social climber and forms a friendship with Raymer, the iron manufacturer. Broffin comes to Wahaska in search of the money which was the anonymous letter to Galbraith. Margery takes Griswold to the safety deposit vault and turns the stolen money over to him. Charlotte bluffs out Broffin and Margery begins to watch him. Griswold puts his money in Raymer's plant and commences to rewrite his book. Griswold goes to dinner at Doctor Farnham's and is not sure that Charlotte has not recognized him.

CHAPTER XVIII—Continued.

"It was a man—he was looking in at the window," she returned in low tones. "I thought I saw him once before, but this time I am certain!"

Griswold sprang from his chair, and a moment later was letting himself out noiselessly through the hall door. There was nothing stirring on the porch. He was still groping among the bushes, and Miss Farnham had come to the front door, when the doctor's buggy appeared under the street lights and was halted at the home hitching post.

"Hello, Mr. Griswold; is that you?" called the cheery one, when he saw a bareheaded man beating the covers in his front yard.

Griswold met his host at the gate and walked up the path with him.

"Miss Charlotte thought she saw someone at one of the front windows," he explained, and a moment afterward the daughter was telling it for herself.

"I saw him twice," she insisted; "once while we were at dinner, and again just now. The first time I thought I might be mistaken, but this time—"

Griswold was laughing silently and inwardly deriding his gifts when, under cover of the doctor's return, he made decent acknowledgments for benefits bestowed and took his departure. On the pleasant summer night walk to Upper Shawnee street he was congratulating himself upon



"It Was a Man—He Was Looking in at the Window."

the now quite complete fulfillment of the wishing prophecy. Miss Farnham was going to prove to be all that the most critical maker of studies from life could ask in a model; a supremely perfect original for the character of Fidelia in the book. Moreover, she would be his touchstone for the truths and verities; even as Margery Grierson might, if she were forgiving enough to let bygones be bygones, hold the mirror up to nature and the pure humanities. Moreover, again, whatever slight danger there might have been in a possibility of recognition was a danger outlived. If the first meeting had not stirred the sleeping memories in Miss Farnham, subsequent ones would serve only to widen the gulf between forgetfulness and recollection by just such distances as the Wahaska Griswold should traverse in leaving behind him the deckhand of the Belle Julie.

How much this might have been modified if he had known that the man whose face Miss Farnham had seen at the window was silently tracking him through the tree-shadowed streets is a matter for conjecture. Also, it is

to be presumed that much, if not all, of the complacency would have vanished if he could have been an unseen listener in the Farnham sitting-room, dating from the time when little Miss Gilman pattered off to bed, leaving the father and daughter sitting together under the reading lamp.

At first their talk was entirely of the window apparition, the daughter insisting upon its reality, and the father trying to push it over into the limbo of things imagined. Driven finally to give all the reasons for her belief in the realities, Charlotte related the incident of the afternoon.

By this time the good Doctor Bertie had become the indignant Doctor Bertie.

"We can't have that at all!" he said incisively. "You did your whole duty in that bank matter; and it was a good deal more than most young women would have done. I'm not going to have you persecuted and harassed—not one minute! Where is this fellow stopping?"

The daughter shook her head. "I don't know. He gave me his card, but it has the New Orleans address only."

"Give it to me and I'll look him up tomorrow."

The card changed hands, and for a few minutes neither of them spoke. Then the daughter began again.

"I've had another shock this evening, too," she said, speaking this time in low tones and with eyes downcast. "This Mr. Griswold—did I understand you to say that he had lost all of his money?"

"Yes; practically all of it," said the father, without losing his hold upon what a certain great London physician was saying through the columns of the English medical journal.

But afterward, long after Charlotte has gone up to her room, he remembers with a curious little start of half-awakened puzzlement, that someone, no longer ago than yesterday, had told him that young Griswold was rich—or if not rich, at least "well fixed."

CHAPTER XIX.

Pitfalls.

Within a week from the day when Raymer, angrily jubilant, had rescued his imperiled stock, it was pretty generally known that Kenneth Griswold, the writing man, had become the fourth member in the close corporation of the Raymer Foundry and Machine works, and Wahaska was eagerly discussing the business affair in all its possible and probable bearings upon the Raymers, the Griersons, and the newly elected directory of the Pinebore railroad.

Of all this buzzing of the gossip bees the person most acutely concerned heard little or nothing. Digging deeply in the inspiration field, Griswold speedily became oblivious to most of his compassments; to all of them, indeed, save those which bore directly upon the beloved task. Among these, he counted the frequent afternoon visits to Mercedes, and the scarcely less frequent evenings spent in the Farnham home. He was using each of the young women as a foil for the other in the outworking of his plot; and he welcomed it as a sign of growth that the story in its new form was acquiring verisimilitude and becoming gratefully, and at times he persuaded himself, quite vividly, human.

When he got well into the swing of it and was turning out a chapter every three or four days, he fell easily into the habit of slipping the latest installment into his pocket when he went to Mercedes. Margery Grierson was adding generously to his immense obligation by her; hoping only to find a friendly listener, he found a helpful collaborator. More than once, when his own imagination was at fault, she was able to open new vistas in the humanities for him, apparently drawing upon a reserve of intuitive conclusions compared with which his own hard-bought store of experimental knowledge was almost puerile.

"I wish you would tell me the secret of your marvelous cleverness," he exclaimed, on one of the June afternoons when he had been reading to her in the cool half-shadows of the Mercedes library. "You are only a child in years; how can you know with such miraculous certainty what other people would think and do under conditions about which you can possibly know nothing experimentally? It's beyond me!"

"There are many things beyond you yet, dear boy; many, many things," was her laughing rejoinder; from which it will be inferred that the episode in the Farmers' and Merchants' burglar-proof had become an episode forgotten—or at least forgiven. "You know men—a little; but when it comes to the women . . . well, if I didn't keep continually nagging at you, your two heroines—with neither of whom you are really in love—would degenerate into rag dolls. They would, actually."

"That's true; I can see it clearly enough when you point it out," he admitted, putting his craftsman pride

underfoot, as he was always obliged to do in these talks with her. "I should be discouraged if you didn't keep on telling me that the story, as a story, is good."

"It is good; it is a big story," she asserted, with kindling enthusiasm. "The plot, so far as you have gone with it, is fine; and that is where you leave me away behind. I don't see how you could ever think it out. And the character drawing is fine, too, some of it. Your Fleming is as far beyond me as your Fidelia seems to be beyond you."

"You don't know Fleming yet. Have you ever met Fidelia?"

"Not as you have drawn her—no. She is too unutterably fine. If she had a single shred of humanity about her, I should suspect you of meaning to fall in love with her, rather than to the humiliation and despair of poor Joan, who, as you say, is a mere daughter of men."

"But how about Joan?" he fretted.

"Is she out of drawing, too?"

"Yes; you are distorting her the other way—making her too inhumanly worldly and insincere." Then, with an abruptness that was like a slap in the face: "If you didn't spend so many evenings at Doctor Bertie's, you would get both Fidelia and Joan in better drawing."

He flushed and drew himself up, with a stab of anger, proper prompting him to make some stinging retort contrasting the wells of truth with the



Instantly the Primitive Instinct of Self-Preservation Sprang Alert.

brackish waters of sheer worldliness. Then he saw how inadequate it would be; how utterly impossible it was to meet this charmingly vindictive young person upon any grounds save those of her own choosing.

"That is the first really unkind thing I have ever heard you say," was the mild reproach which was all that the reactionary second thought would sanction.

"Unkind to whom?—to you, or to Miss Farnham?"

"Ask yourself," he countered weakly, and she laughed at him.

Griswold did not reply to the laugh. He was gathering up the scattered pages of his manuscript and replacing them in order. When he spoke again it was of a matter entirely irrelevant.

"I had an odd experience the other evening," he said. "I had been dining with the Raymers and was walking back to Shawnee street. A little newsboy named Johnnie Ferguson turned up from somewhere at one of the street crossings and tried to sell me a paper—at eleven o'clock at night! I bought one and joked him about being out so late; and from that on I couldn't get rid of him. He went all the way home with me, talking a blue streak and acting as if he were afraid of something or somebody. I remembered afterward that he is the boy who takes care of your boat. Is there anything wrong with him?"

Miss Grierson had left her chair and had gone to stand at one of the windows.

"Nothing that I know of," she said. "He is a bright boy—too bright for his own good, I'm afraid. But I can explain a little. Johnnie has taken a violent fancy to you for some reason, and he has fallen into the boyish habit of weaving all sorts of romances around you. I think he reads too many exciting stories and tries to make you the hero of them. He told me the other day that he was sure somebody was 'spotting' you."

Griswold looked up quickly. Miss Grierson was still facing the window, and he was glad that she had not seen his nervous start.

"Spotting me?" he laughed. "Where did he get that idea?"

"How should I know? But he had made himself believe it; he even went so far as to describe the man. Oh, I can assure you Johnnie has an imagination; I've tested it in other ways."

"I should think so!" said the man who also had an imagination, and shortly afterward he took his leave.

An hour later the same afternoon, Broffin, from his post of observation on the Winnebago porch, saw the writing man cross the street and enter a hardware shop. Having nothing better to do, he, too, crossed the street and, in passing, looked into the open door of Simmons & Kleifurt's. What he saw brought him back at the end of a reflective stroll around the public square.

When he entered the shop the clerk was putting a formidable array of weapons back into their showcase niches. Broffin lunged up and began to handle the pistols.

"If I knew enough about guns to be able to tell 'em apart, I might buy one," he said, half humorously. And then: "You must've been having a mighty particular customer—to get so many of 'em out."

"It was Mr. Griswold, Mr. Ed Raymer's new partner," said the clerk. And he was pretty particular; wouldn't have anything but these new-fashioned automatics. Said he wanted something that would be quick and sure, and I guess he's got it—I sold him two of 'em."

Broffin played with the stock long enough to convince the clerk that he was only a counterfeiter with no intention of buying. "Took two of 'em, did he?—for fear one might make him sick, I reckon," he said, with the half-humorous grin still lurking under the drooping mustache. "Automatic thirty-two, eh? Well, I ain't going to try to hold you Mr.—Griswold, did you call him?—up none after this. He might git 'em."

Whereupon, having found out what he wanted to know, he lounged out again and went back to the hotel, to smoke another of the reflective cigars in the porch chair which had come to be by his right of frequent and long-continued occupancy.

Griswold had left the Mercedes library considerably shaken, not in his convictions, to be sure, but in his confidence in his own powers of imaginative analysis. For this cause it required a longer after-dinner stay at the Farnham's than he had been allowing himself; to re-establish the norm of self-assurance. Charlotte Farnham was never enthusiastic; that, perhaps, would be asking too much of an ideal; but what she lacked in warmth was made up in cool sanity, backed by a moral sense that seemed never to waver. Unerringly she placed her finger upon the human weaknesses in his book people, and unfalteringly she bade him reform them.

For his Fidelia, as he described her, she exhibited a gentle affection, tempered by a compassionate pity for her weaknesses and waverings; an attitude, he fatuously told himself, forced upon her because her own standards were so much higher than any he could delineate or conceive. For Joan there was also compassion, but it was mildly contemptuous.

"If I did not know that you are incapable of doing such a thing, I might wonder if you are not drawing your Joan from life, Mr. Griswold," she said, a little coldly, on this same evening of rehabilitations. "Since such characters are to be found in real life, I suppose they may have a place in a book. But you must not commit the unpardonable sin of making your readers condone the evil in her for the sake of the good. Please forget what I have said about your Fidelia and—your Joan. You are trying to make them human, and that is as it should be."

Griswold could scarcely believe the evidence of his senses. He told himself fiercely that he would never believe without the conviction of fact, that the ideal could step down from its pedestal.

"You are meaning to be kind to me now, at the expense of your convictions, Miss Charlotte," he protested warmly.

"No," she denied gravely. "Listen, and you shall judge. Once, only a short time ago, I was brought face to face with one of these terrible compromises. In a single instant, and by no fault of my own, the dreadful shears of fate were thrust into my hands, and conscience—that I have been taught to call the Christian conscience—told me that with them I must snip the thread of a man's life. And then chance threw us together. A new world was opened to me in those few moments. I had thought that there could be no possible question between simple right and wrong, but almost in his first word the man convinced me that, whatever his conscience had fully and freely acquitted him, and he proved it, proved it so that I can never doubt it as long as I live. He made me do what my conscience had been telling me I ought to do—just as your Fleming makes Fidelia do."

"And he was taken?" he said, and strove desperately to make the saying completely colorless.

"He was; but he made his escape again, almost at once. He is still a free man."

Instantly the primitive instinct of self-preservation, the instinct of the hunted fugitive, sprang alert in the listener.

"How can you be sure of that?" he asked, and in his own ears his voice sounded like the clang of an alarm bell.

Again a silence fell, surcharged, this one, with all the old frightful possibilities. Once more the loathsome fever quickened the pulses of the man at bay, and the curious needlelike pricking of the skin came to signal the return of the homicidal fear-frenzy. The reaction to the normal sickness when his accusing angel said in her most matter-of-fact tone:

"I know he is free; I have it on the best possible authority. The detectives who are searching for him have been here to see me—or, at least, one of them has."

The hunted one laid hold of the partial reprieve with a mighty grip and drew himself out of the reactionary whirlpool.

"It is an outrage! I hope it is an annoyance past."

His companion leaned forward in her chair and cautiously parted the leafy vine screen.

"Look across the street—under those trees at the water's edge; do you see him?"

Griswold looked and was reasonably sure that he could make out the shadowy figure of a man leaning against one of the trees.

"That is my shadow," she said, lowering her voice; "Mr. Matthew Broffin, of the Colburne Detective Agency, New Orleans. He has a foolish idea that I am in communication with the man he is searching for, and he was brutal enough to tell me so. What he expects to accomplish by keeping an absurd watch upon our house and dogging everybody who comes and goes, I can't imagine."

"You have told your father?" said Griswold, anxious to learn how far his new alarm fire had spread.

"Certainly; and he has made his protest. But it doesn't do any good; the man keeps on spying, as you see. But we have wandered a long way from your book. I've been trying to prove to you that I am not fit to criticize it."

"No; you mustn't mistake me. I haven't been coming to you for criticism," was Griswold's rather incoherent reply; and when the talk threatened to lapse into the commonplace, he took his leave. Oddly enough, as he thought, when he was unlatching the gate and had shifted one of the newly purchased automatic pistols from his hip pocket to an outside pocket of the light top-coat he was wearing, the shadowy figure under the lake-shading trees had disappeared.

It was only a few minutes after the lingering dinner guest had gone when the doctor came out on the porch, bringing his long-stemmed pipe for a bedtime whiff in the open air.

"You are losing your beauty sleep, little girl," he said, dropping into the chair lately occupied by the guest. "Did you find out anything more tonight?"

The daughter did not reply at once, and when she did there was a note of freshly summoned hardihood in her voice.

"We were both mistaken," she affirmed. "Coincidences are always likely to be misleading. I am sorry I told you about them. He has certainly been a present help in time of need to Edward."

As before, the good little doctor had recourse to his pipe, and it was not until his daughter got up to go in that he said gently: "One other word, Charlotte: are you altogether sure that the wish isn't father to the thought—about Griswold?"

"Don't be absurd, papa!" she said scornfully, passing swiftly behind his chair to reach the door; and with that answer he was obliged to be content.

CHAPTER XX.

Broken Links.

It was on the second day after the pistol-buying incident in Simmons & Kleifurt's that Broffin, wishing for solitude and a chance to think in perspective, took to the woods.

A letter from the New Orleans office had reopened the account of the Bayou State Security robbery. The mail communication was significant but inconclusive. One Patrick Sheehan, a St. Louis cab driver, dying, had made confession to his priest. For a bribe of two hundred dollars he had aided and abetted the escape of a criminal on a day and date corresponding to the mid-April arrival of the steamer Belle Julie at St. Louis. Afterward he had driven the man to an up-town hotel (name not given). He could not recall the man's name. But the destination address, "Wahaska, Minnesota," was submitted with the confession.

Broffin felt himself short-sighted from the very nearness of things. The single necessity now was for absolute and unshakable identification. To establish this, three witnesses, and three only, could be called upon. Of the three, two had fallen signally—Miss Farnham because she had her own reasons for blocking the game, and President Galbraith. . . . That was another chapter in the book of failure. Broffin had learned that the president was stopping at the De Soto Inn, and he had maneuvered to bring Mr. Galbraith face to face with Griswold in the Grierson bank on the day after the pistol-buying. To his astonishment and disgust the president had shaken his head irritably, adding a rebuke.

"Na, na, na; your trade makes ye over-auspicious. That's Mr. Griswold, the writer-man; and a friend of the Griersons. Miss Madge was telling me about him last week. He's no more like the robber than you are. Haven't I told ye the man was bearded like a tyke?"

With two of the three eye-witnesses refusing to testify, there remained only Johnson, the paying teller of the Bayou State Security. Broffin was considering the advisability of wiring for Johnson when he passed the last of the houses on the lakeside drive and struck into the country road which led by cool and shaded forest windings to the resort hotel at the head of the southern bay. Presently a vehicle overtook and passed him. It was Miss Grierson's trap, drawn by the big English trap-horse, with Miss Grierson herself holding the reins and Raymer following comfortably in the spare seat.

Half an hour later Broffin had followed the huge hoof-prints of the great English trap-horse to the drive-way portal of the De Soto grounds where they were lost on the pebbled carriage approach. Strolling on through the grounds into the lake-fronting lobby of the inn, he went in search of Miss Grierson. He found her on the broad veranda, alone, and for the moment unoccupied. How to make the attack so direct and so overwhelming that it could not be withstood was the only remaining question; and Broffin had answered it to his own satisfaction, and was advancing through an open French window

directly behind Miss Grierson's chair to put the answer into effect, when the opportunity was snatched away. Raymer, his business apparently concluded, came down the veranda and took the chair next to Miss Grierson's.

Broffin dropped back into the writing-room alcove for which the open French window was the outlet and sat down to bide his time.

"It's a shame to make you wait this way, Miss Madge. McMurtry said he had an appointment with Mr. Galbraith for three o'clock, and he had to go to keep it. But he ought to be down again by this time. Don't wait for me if you want to go back to town. I can get a lift from somebody."

"That would be nice, wouldn't it?" was the good-natured retort. "To make you tie up your own horse in town and then leave you stranded away out here three miles from nowhere! I think I see myself doing such a thing! Besides, I haven't a thing to do but wait."

Broffin shifted the extinct cigar he was chewing from one corner of his mouth to the other and pulled his soft hat lower over his eyes. He, too, could wait. There was a little stir on the veranda; a rustling of silk petticoats and the click of small heels on the hardwood floor. Broffin could not forbear the peering peep around the sheltering window draperies. Miss Grierson had left her seat and was pacing a slow march up and down. That she had not seen him became a fact sufficiently well-assured when she sat down again and began to speak to Griswold.

"How is the new partnership going, by this time?" she asked, after the manner of one who renews the chaff of the commonplaces in the hope of finding grain enough for the immediate need.

"So far as Griswold is concerned, you wouldn't notice that there is a partnership," laughed the iron-founder. "I can't make him galvanize an atom of interest in his investment. All I can get out of him is, 'Don't bother me; I'm busy.'"

"Mr. Griswold is in a class by himself, don't you think?" was the questioning comment.

"He is all kinds of a good fellow; that's all I know, and all I ask to know," answered Raymer loyally.

"I believe that—now," said his companion, with the faintest possible emphasis upon the time-word.

Broffin marked the emphasis and the pause that preceded it, and leaned forward to miss a word.

"Meaning that there was a time when you didn't believe it?" Raymer asked.

"Meaning that there was a time when he had me scared half to death," confessed the one who seemed always to say the confidential thing as if it were the most trivial. "Do you remember one day in the library, when you found me looking over the file of the newspapers for the story of the robbery of the Bayou State Security bank in New Orleans?"

Raymer remembered it very well, and admitted it.

"Yes; I remember it all very clearly. Also I recollect how the second newspaper notice told how the robber escaped from the officers at St. Louis. But you haven't told me how you were scared," Raymer suggested.

"Take such a verse as John 14:27, 'Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.' How many times, think you, would a Christian feed his soul on that verse in a lifetime? The same is true of Matt. 11:28 and Romans 8:28 and I John 3:1 and Jude 24."

It one continued this habit a few years his mind would become a magnificent orchard, yielding fruit in such abundance and variety as to supply not only the owner himself, but all his neighbors and friends. If a man had no other assets than a mind well stored with Scripture, he would be a rich man. But he would have other assets, because it is declared of those who delight in the law of the Lord, that they shall be "like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season. His leaf also shall not wither, and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper." Psalm 1:3.

Consider also the effect of this habit in creating a relish for that which is pure and wholesome in literature, and a distaste for that which is vulgar. No one whose mind is stored with the sublime sentiments of the Bible will care for trashy and sensational reading.

Not only will it affect his mind but his character. He will naturally love righteousness and hate iniquity. He will have high ideals because he is familiar with such men as Enoch and Daniel and Abraham. In time of temptation the Holy Spirit will recall to his mind some suitable verse, as he did for our Savior when tempted by the adversary. When perplexed as to his duty some passage of Scripture will flash upon him and make the path of duty as clear as daylight.

Besides, if he is on the alert, he will find many opportunities to help others. He can correct false impressions, answer excuses and objections, and often lead sinners to begin the Christian life. I know of a case where a wife committed two verses at an afternoon service, and at the supper table she used them on her husband. He was so affected that he knelt right down and accepted Christ without waiting to finish his supper.

In some families the custom prevails of each member repeating a verse of Scripture at family worship. In one family each child has a promise each day, and Sunday mornings they repeat all the promises they have learned during the week. A verse from each member of the family at the breakfast table, with the Lord's prayer in concert makes a very good form of family worship where some have to hurry away to business immediately after breakfast.

As a help to those who wish to know God's Word better the writer has arranged a leaflet containing one hundred choice verses, selected from the whole Bible. They cover a wide range of topics, and are particularly rich in verses adapted to the use of personal workers. They are arranged in the order in which they come in the Bible, with chapter and verse given. The whole verse is not given, but only enough to recall it when once it has been learned. Anyone who masters these hundred verses will be well equipped for any emergency which may arise. A verse a day for three months would accomplish the task.

The writer has none to sell, but he will gladly give a copy to any who will send him his address on a stamped envelope.

God and His Workers.

God takes away his workers, but he still carries on his work. The church owes St. Paul to the death of St. Stephen, or, as St. Augustine puts it, to the prayer of St. Stephen, "Lord, lay not this sin to their charge."—Selected.

Value of Memorizing Scripture

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TEXT—This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night. Josh. 1:8.

One of the best habits one can acquire is that of committing to memory choice verses of Scripture.

Some people commit entire books of the Bible, but I regard that as an unreasonable tax upon the memory. Of course one could easily learn the first psalm, and the twenty-third, and the one hundred and twenty-first. Also the commandments and the beatitudes.

Beyond that I should advise the marking and memorizing of choice verses as we meet them in our daily reading.

Suppose a farmer were to set out a dozen choice fruit trees each year. In a few years his farm would be well stocked with a great variety of fruit, and each tree would bear fruit as long as he lived. Each tree has its own individuality and value, and in course of time each one would come to seem like an old friend. Some yield sweet apples and others sour. Some are early and others late. Then there are pears and peaches and plums and cherries of different kinds and flavors.

Suppose a person should commit to memory one verse of Scripture each week. That would not be a very hard task, but how great would be the result as the years went on. Each verse is like a fruit tree which bears some kind of choice fruit to enrich his mind and ennoble his character and increase his usefulness. And these yield fruit not simply once a year, or even once a month, like the trees in Celestial City (Rev. 22:2), but every day in the year, and all the years of his life.

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Children's Coats

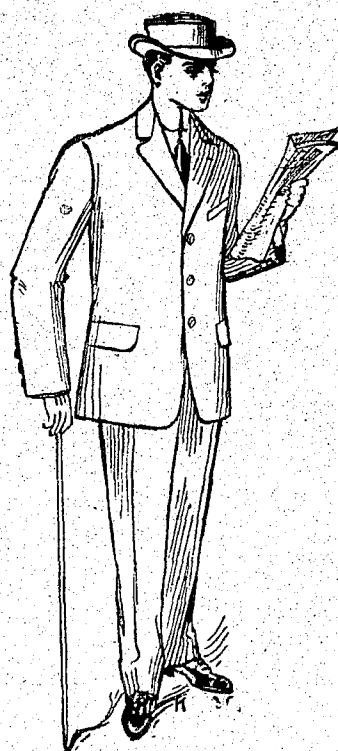
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Men's Shoes

The swell Florsheim line of shoes for men are as good as skill and money can produce, at4.50 and \$5.00



The noted Rice-Hutchins shoes at 3.50 and \$4.00 have given me a record-breaker shoe business this season. This is a fine shoe within the reach of the every day purchaser. We have them in lace and button, tans and blacks, and lasts to fit a hard fitting foot. Remember we fit your feet to measure at this store.

Men's elk, with leather soles, \$1.98 are \$2.50 values at all times.

My tan grain shoe, bellows tongue, is at this time selling everywhere for \$3.00, I am still selling them at the old price \$2.50.

Ask to see my tan, high lace combination buckle shoe at \$3.25. They are some good value.

Men's high boots for sporting, hunting and land looking, at 4.50, 5.00 and \$6.50 are special values at this time.

Men's "Highpress" rubber, made by the Goodrich Rubber Company, are like the Goodrich tires—speak for themselves.

Having purchased a big line of the red goods, I am able to show the lumberman and farmer any thing you may want—if they come from a distance they will not be disappointed. The line consists of the Hurons, buckle and lace, leather tops and all rubber tops.

Also men's over rubbers with the red soles, a few only to sell at \$1.00. They are the toughest wearers you ever put on your feet. A few 4-buckle arctics with the red soles, actually worth 3.00, at \$2.25. A good chance for the early buyer, while they last.

Men's Pants

Men's work pants at 98c, \$1.25 and \$1.68, are the working man's friend. Get wise and ask to see them.

Men's serge pants at 3.00, 3.50 and \$4.00 are just what you are looking for in size and quality.

The Malone and Soo pants, consisting of the Stag and long pants. I want you to come in and examine as to price—leave the quality to me.

Come in and examine our pants for school—special values.

Men's Wool Socks

Men's black and gray cashmere socks15 and 18c

Men's white and gray wool socks 22c, five pairs for\$1.00

Lumbermen's heavy long tufted wool socks 50c; boys' 39c

Men's long ribbed leg home spun socks50c

A lot of socks in mixed colors, very heavy40c

Hats and Caps

Boys' caps at25 and 50c

Just the colors and just the kinds you are looking for.

A good purchase in men's sample hats. I can give you nearly half off in this line. \$1.50 at 89c; \$1.00 at 69c

Young men's hats, up-to-date numbers, and positively the latest styles at2.00, 2.50 and \$3.00

Men's caps, the latest styles in the market, at 50c, 75c, 1.00

Men's Underwear

One case flat fleeced men's underwear, medium heavy, 42c

One extra heavy, shirts or drawers, at45c

Men's flat fleeced or ribbed underwear, good value at 95c suit

Men's wool underwear, separate shirts and drawers, 1.25 values, at95c

Men's union suits, heavy fleeced, gray or in unbleached, at 94c, are big advertisers for this store.

Men's Underwear

One lot extra fine ribbed wool union suits, positively 2.50 values, my price1.89

Boys' fleeced underwear, all sizes25c

Men's flannel shirts, military style, gray only50c

Men's flannel shirts, blues and tans98c

One lot heavy Jersey shirts, blue only, 75c value, my price only48c

Now friends and patrons, if you wish to see a medium size store filled to the brim and running over with live bargains, goods you can reach right at your fingers' tips and try on while waiting, just out of curiosity step into this store and you will know the meaning of these remarks.

Don't miss the place--the Lemon Colored Store opposite the Court House, Grayling, Michigan